20 December 2024



### Dear Parents/Carers

# Weekly Round-Up – December 20th

Merry Christmas one and all. This week the Christmas spirit has been alive across the College. Congratulations to DH08 and EH07 for winning the best decorated mentor room and to da Vinci House for winning the Inter-House Christmas Quiz 24. Anyone fortunate to have attended last night's Carol Service will have witnessed a magical event showcasing the talents of so many pupils past and present. Thank you to everyone who took part and all families in attendance. The newsletter and Fountain magazine provide more details about the term's events, staff leavers and department development; both are well worth a read.

# **IMPORTANT REMINDER Start of Spring Term – Monday 6th January 2025**

The College will open to all pupils as normal on Monday 6th January 2025 (week B). Reception will be closed from Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December at 12.30pm until Monday 6th January at 8am. We will not be able to respond to emails until the new term.

### **NEW** Autumn Term Fountain Magazine

Our termly Fountain magazine is produced by Year 11 Senate Ambassadors and largely comprises pupil contributions. This term's bumper edition is now on our website and can be found here: <u>https://sawstonvc.org/category/the-fountain/</u>

We hope you enjoy it as much as our pupils have enjoyed compiling it.

### **<u>NEW</u>** Newsletter

Get updates from staff on what the different departments have been up to this half term by reading our latest newsletter here: <u>https://sawstonvc.org/category/newsletter/</u>

### **NEW** Year 10 Work Experience

The presentation from the Year 10 WEX information evening can be found on our website: https://sawstonvc.org/about-us/work-experience/. The information needed to access the placement database has been shared with pupils, and Student Own Placement (SOP) forms are available for pupils to collect from Mrs Wombwell in the Octagon. If you have any questions about Work Experience, please contact Mrs Wombwell (cwombwell@sawstonvc.org).



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# **NICE TO KNOW** Gold Historical Association Quality Mark

Sawston Village College History department is delighted to have been awarded the Gold Historical Association Quality Mark.

The Quality Mark provides a framework for success through which schools can develop an outstanding provision.

# NICE TO KNOW Christmas Market

Last week the Anti Bullying Ambassadors held a festive Christmas Market to raise money for in school campaigns and the Diana Award Charity. Items for sale included baked goods made by themselves and by the Food Technology department, keyrings and tree decorations made in Design Technology and crocheted tree decorations made by the behaviour team. The weeks spent planning and advertising the event paid off as they raised an impressive £116 which will be split between their chosen charity and the school Anti Bullying club. We are so proud of the work they continue to do to make this school a friendly and welcoming community.

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Wishing you a merry Christmas and a happy new year,

Jonathan Russell