9 May 2025



Dear Parents/Carers

## Weekly Round-Up - May 9th

This Sunday is the annual Sawston Fun and Walk, a fabulous community event that was started at the school in 1986 and has raised over £545,000 for charities, organisations and worthwhile causes. Good luck to everyone who is taking part and there is still time to sign up on the day. It looks like it might be a very warm day so hydration will be key. We were delighted this week to be nominated for Best Film by Into Film: if you could vote for our pupils' film it could mean a wonderful awards night for our budding filmmakers. Congratulations also to our AL Chess Academy, run at SVC each Friday evening, winners of the Cambridgeshire Schools League.

#### **NEW** Vote for our film Daydreaming to win the Into Film Audience Choice Award

Our film has been nominated in the Best Film Age 12-15 category and all nominated films are up for the Audience Choice Award. Please help us by voting for our film. Find out how to vote by following the link here: <a href="https://sawstonvc.org/into-film-audience-choice-award/">https://sawstonvc.org/into-film-audience-choice-award/</a>

### **REMINDER Y7 and Y8 - Type 1 diabetes screening research**

NHS Researchers at the University of Birmingham are conducting the ELSA study. The ELSA study is screening children, aged 3-13 years, to identify if they could be at risk of getting type 1 diabetes. This is a simple finger stick blood test carried out by qualified professionals at school on Wednesday 25th June. This is important national research involving over 32,000 children but will only be carried out with those for whom parental consent is given.

An email was sent to parents of Y7 and Y8 pupils earlier this week. The letter provides further details, including how to register your child.

#### **REMINDER** Y11 group photographs

Y11 photographs can now be collected from school reception. Parents/carers may prefer to collect framed/large prints themselves to avoid damage.

### **NICE TO KNOW Anglian Learning Chess Academy**

The Anglian Learning Chess Academy won the Cambridgeshire Schools League in the final round of matches on Sunday 27th April. It has been a terrific season for both their teams and individual players. Well done to everyone involved.















### **COMMUNITY** 2025 Sawston Fun Run & Walk

The 2025 <u>Sawston Fun Run</u> will be held on Sunday 11th May 2025. It's a great day out for all the family. Further information and to enter, please visit <u>www.sawstonfunrun.co.uk</u>

# **COMMUNITY** Youth Rowing Course 2025

The City of Cambridge Rowing Club is excited to announce a Youth Rowing Course, designed specifically for pupils aged 14 to 18. The course offers a unique opportunity to meet new people, learn the exciting sport of rowing, and enjoy the picturesque beauty of the River Cam.

Running throughout the holidays, this program is not only a fun and engaging activity but also a valuable addition to college and university applications. Rowing fosters teamwork, discipline, and perseverance, making it an impressive highlight on any application. Please click here for further details.

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Wishing you a sunny weekend, Jonathan Russell