

10 October 2025



Sawston
Village College

Principal: Mr J P Russell

Dear Parents/Carers

Weekly Round Up

Thank you for your Y7 parent support of our Meet the Mentor event yesterday. We are really pleased with the way Y7s have settled in the school. It is very important to us that each has a trusted adult whom they can talk to should they need to do so and for many this will be the mentor. We want all of our pupils to have a sense of belonging and to know how to keep themselves and each other safe. If you have any concerns, please do contact our pastoral team. Our KS4 Drama pupils enjoyed their theatre trip this week. Flu vaccinations also went well earlier in the week. They are a timely reminder of the nights getting darker and colder days; please can pupils wear coats (with name tags) and high visibility accessories for those who cycle as well as working lights and well-maintained bikes. Finally best wishes to our Bronze Duke of Edinburgh pupils who embark on their qualifying weekend in Thetford Forest with the weather set fair!

POLITE REQUEST Pupil drop off and pick up on New Road

Please consider dropping off and picking up away from the main entrances of the College to avoid congestion and improve sight lines for pupils as they leave. We especially request that no cars are parked on the yellow marked lines on New Road nor immediately opposite the gates.

NEW Y10 information evening

Parents and carers of pupils in Y10 are invited to attend our Y10 Information Evening on Tuesday 21st October. This event will take place in the Henry Morris Hall, starting at 6pm. Please see the separate letter from Mrs Wagstaff for further details. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs Wagstaff (ewagstaff@sawstonvc.org).

NEW Parent and carer webinar: insights into post-16 options

Form the Future, an organisation which supports schools to deliver Careers Education, Information and Guidance, are offering a free webinar on Tuesday 21st October, aimed at parents and carers and their young people. This session investigates 'Post-16 Options' and is a brilliant opportunity to discover how to support young people to explore their next steps in education and the world of work. Led by experienced careers professionals, the session will offer practical help and advice, and the team will be on hand to answer any questions in a live Q&A. This will be particularly relevant for parents of Y11 pupils, following on from last week's Y11 information evening.

Please use [this link](#) to sign up.



ANGLIAN LEARNING



FRAMEWORK FOR
ETHICAL LEADERSHIP
IN EDUCATION
PATHFINDER



Artsmark
Platinum Award
Awarded by Arts
Council England



PROUD TO BE A
MUSIC MARK
SCHOOL
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[NEW](#) Hidden Heritages: One School, Many Stories project

The history department is really excited to have been selected to work with historians from Hadithi. This has created an outstanding opportunity for a group of our Y9 pupils to carry out authentic historical research in the local area.

As part of the project, Hadithi are looking for people from a south Asian heritage to take part in oral interviews. For more information, please email jphillips@sawstonvc.org or see [this](#) flyer.

[NEW](#) Innovate - Catering Assistant vacancy

Our onsite catering team is recruiting a Catering Assistant. For further details, please follow [this](#) link.

[NICE TO KNOW](#) Year 9 Pupils Guest Speakers at Webinar

This week two Year 9 pupils from our Cinema Club filmmakers joined an Into Film webinar attended by teachers from as far afield as Inverness and Belfast. They had been invited as the 'guest speakers' to talk about their experience of filmmaking as information for teachers thinking about setting up filmmaking in their schools. Both pupils spoke very eloquently about their experiences, and Into Film showed a film the pupils had made completely independently, *The Chase*, which was very well received. The pupils participated in a Q&A and were delighted when a teacher asked if they had Oscar speeches at the ready. Well done for representing the school so well!

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Wishing you a very pleasant weekend,

Jonathan Russell