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Sawston
Village College

Principal: Mr J P Russell

Dear Parents/Carers

Weekly Round Up

Today was our Y11 Leavers' Day which marks the start of Study Leave and gave staff a chance to say goodbye to our senior pupils. With ice cream, shirt signing, films, music and an inflatable obstacle course, it was also an opportunity for pupils to relax and enjoy each other's company. After the half-term break, exams will continue until mid-June and then we can look forward to our final farewell at the Prom on the 26th June. Also this week, some Y9 pupils attended the Literary Festival and enjoyed readings by Scottish poet, Jackie Kay. Now, our pupils can enjoy a well earned rest and we look forward to picking up the pace again on Monday 1st June.

NEW College closed for half-term

The College is now closed for half-term, Monday 25th to Friday 29th May. We look forward to Y7-10 returning as normal on Monday 1st June. It will be Week A. Y11 pupils, in full school uniform, will come in for their scheduled exams and can continue to access support from teachers and staff throughout the term.

NEW Sports Centre vehicular access during half-term

Please be advised that over half-term, due to the build, the entrance to the Sports Centre drive (near the Music/Drama block and via the busway) will be closed. Entry will be via the Main Drive and there will be traffic management to access from there to the Sport Centre. The exit will be via the Marven Centre gate as normal. Please be extra careful as there will be two way traffic along the Spicer Driveway where usually it is one way only. This work is scheduled for Tuesday and Wednesday next week. For more information contact the Sport Centre.

NEW Non-uniform Day on Friday 5th June for World Environment Day

The Eco Forum has chosen to raise money for the WWF Climate Recovery Fund the week after half term by promoting a non-uniform day on Friday 5th June; parents are invited to make a £1 donation on Wisepay for this excellent cause.

NEW Y11 Education Records App

Unfortunately, we were unable to set Y11 pupils up on the DfE Education Records App as published due to a technical issue. We believe this is linked to the DfE website and we are in communication over when we will be able to access the information required. We hope to be



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able to offer this service to Y11 pupils following one of their core exams after half term. We will be in contact with further details.

You will be receiving a letter detailing full plans for GCSE Results Day on Thursday 20 August.

[NEW](#) This half term's Newsletter

Find out what the different departments in school have been up to and staffing news this half term by reading our latest newsletter, which is available here:

<https://sawstonvc.org/category/newsletter/>.

[NEW](#) Free Healthy Relationship courses for parents

Family Hubs are running courses to support parents who would like to improve their relationship with their partner or ex-partner. Please click [here](#) for further details.

[NICE TO KNOW](#) Cambridge Literary Festival

On Thursday twelve Y9 pupils attended the Cambridge Literary Festival, held at the Cambridge Union. Jackie Kay read a selection of her poems and talked about her life as a Scottish poet. The Q&A session allowed pupils to ask Jackie about the writing process and her philosophy on writing.

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Wishing you a very enjoyable half-term,

Jonathan Russell