

5 June 2026



Sawston
Village College

Principal: Mr J P Russell

Dear Parents/Carers

Weekly Round Up

Today, pupils enjoyed a non-uniform day that was chosen by them to mark World Environment Day and in aid of the WWF Climate Recovery Fund. Thank you for your donations in support of this. Sixteen intrepid Y10 adventurers have started their Silver Expedition weekend in Cannock Chase for their Duke of Edinburgh Award and we wish them well with their trip. Thank you to all Y10 parents who were able to attend our annual parents' on-line consultation yesterday; your support is very much appreciated. House assemblies all week have been sharply focused on our expectations and The Sawston Way, our branding of the behaviour code of conduct. Next week, we are looking forward to Governors' Day on Monday, a SEND Peer Review on Wednesday, the Geography London residential on Friday and the penultimate week of GCSE and BTEC exams. Good luck to our Y11s and keep going - nearly there!

NEW Thank a Teacher Day

The DfE's national Thank a Teacher Day is on June 17th. If you wish to encourage your child to send a personalised thank you to any staff member please follow the link here: <https://thankateacher.co.uk/parents/>

NEW My Child At School (MCAS) App

Over the coming weeks, we will begin to roll out the MCAS app for parents of pupils in Y7-10. You will receive an email notification inviting you to download the app and create your account. This app will allow you to see live information about your child's attendance at school and, from June 22nd, will replace Satchel:one for homework assignments. More detailed information relating to homework setting will be sent separately.

NEW Y10 and Y11 Parents and pupils - Hills Road Sixth Form College survey

Hills Road is working with research agency Red Brick Research to better understand the experience and views on post-16 education. The survey should only take around 10-15 minutes to complete: <https://survey.alchemer.eu/s3/91090723/Hills-Road-Survey&group=s>

All responses are confidential and anonymised. If you have any questions, please contact marketing@hillsroad.ac.uk.



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REMINDER Summer Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) Programme

The Local Authority is operating the summer Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) Programme from 21st to 28th August. Eligible pupils can attend a participating local holiday scheme for up to 64 hours, fully funded. A daily meal and engagement in enriching experiences is offered. On 8th June, parents will receive a voucher by email or text from hello@holidayactivities.com including a 16-digit booking code for each eligible child. Further details: HAF@cambridgeshire.gov.uk or www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/haf

NICE TO KNOW Anglian Learning Chess Academy

The Chess Academy has had another excellent year, both as a friendly but competitive chess club, and through team and individual performances by the players. The Academy combines coaching and play at its Friday evening meetings.

This year players have completed in the Cambridgeshire Schools League, East Anglian Team, Championships, East Anglian Junior County Championships, Delancey Schools Challenge, Cambridgeshire County Championship, East Anglian Under 1600 Championship, Cambridgeshire FIDE Congress, Bury St Edmunds Congress Under 1500 and Under 1750 tournament. We will share a longer article in next month's copy of The Fountain.

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Wishing you a pleasant weekend,

Jonathan Russell