#### FEBRUARY 9TH 2024

# SWR WEEKLY

#### Striving for Excellence Together



The SWR Weekly will regularly keep you updated on news from the school. We hope you find this useful to keep in touch with what is going on at our wonderful school.

We have had a short but very busy term at SWR. I would like to thank all the staff for their hard work and commitment to the students at Sir William Romney School. I would also like to thank the students for all their hard work and for making the school a wonderful place to work. Finally, I would like to thank all the parents and carers for your continued support.

I hope you have a lovely half term and we will see all the students on Monday 19th February 2024.

Mr Ruscoe



Congratulations to this week's SWR Stars!

Libby - For being a great star student this week Honey - For making great contributions to her new tutor group and being a great friend Riley - For taking part in the mentoring program Max - For competing in the South West Regional School's Cross Country event last weekend Jasper - For competing in the South West Regional School's Cross Country event last weekend Max - For his continued dedication to DPP Rugby with Gloucester Academy Rhys - For rapidly improving within his rugby Callum - For being a credit to SWR and helping a Tetbury resident who had fallen in his garden on

the way home Sienna - For striving for excellence in her GCSE studies Lily - For once again making the England Training squad for her age group at touch rugby Hamilton - For continuing to compete at British Standard for his Ballroom Dancing Flo - For her unbelievable commitment to Girls Football for both Forest Green and Bristol Rovers Academies respectively



Mr Ruscoe and some of this week's SWR Stars

#### **RESPECT 24/7**

We are excited to launch our new initiative called Respect 24/7 in the first week of Term 4.

On Friday 23rd February we will be holding a non uniform day (donations of £1) as part of the launch odd socks are encouraged. We will be sharing much more information with you on Respect 24/7 when we return.

#### **BEFORE SCHOOL**

Students are not allowed in school before 08:30am and only then in the canteen or to use the humanities toilets.

#### UNIFORMS AND STANDARDS

Please remember that we don't allow facial piercings or retainers at SWR. For fairness to all there is no exception to this, including new piercings that are healing or where there is infection. Please consider this if students plan to have a piercing over the half term holidays.

#### **GREEN PENS**

Please can we encourage students to have a green pen in their pencil cases. We use green pens whenever we're acting on feedback or making corrections to our work. It really helps the Teacher if all students have a green pen in their pencil case.

# **SWR SAMARITAN**

Mr Ruscoe was delighted to thank Callum in Year 11 today for being a great ambassador of SWR and a great help to a member of our local community. We have shared the email that Mr Ruscoe was sent which best describes how Callum acted.

We are incredibly proud of our students at SWR and this is another example of why. Well done, Callum!

"Yesterday I was walking back home after walking my dogs as I approached my house, a student was talking home from school when we both heard someone shout out in pain. The young man came with me when he heard the shout and my neighbour had fallen in her garden. I had my two black Labradors with me and so was struggling to see my neighbour who had fallen. The student asked if he could hold my dogs for me so that I could help my neighbour. He was such a credit to SWR and I am just sorry that I didn't get his name but I wanted to let you know that one of your students went above and beyond. We are too quick to criticise young people these days and so I just wanted to say thank you – I only wish I had asked his name so that I could thank him personally"



Callum and Mr Ruscoe

### **ANDY LEWIS**

It was fantastic to welcome Andy Lewis, gold medallist Paralympian this week.

Years 7, 8 and 9 enjoyed an extended assembly about his journey, embodying our core values of aspiration and resilience.

He then spent the morning with Mr Farr and 20 Year 9's training them on how to be a mentor and support their peers.

We look forward to sharing the work our amazing mentors will be doing soon.



Andy Lewis and our new Year 9 mentors

#### YEAR 9 OPTIONS EVENING

We had a fantastic turn out for our Year 9 Options Evening on Wednesday.

This is an exciting time for Year 9 students as they begin the process of choosing subjects that they want to study further in Year 10 and 11.

We are very proud of the broad curriculum we offer in Key Stage 4 at SWR, ensuring every student can achieve their personal excellence in their GCSES.

Teachers always enjoy this evening as they have the opportunity to promote the subjects they are very passionate about.

Year 9 students need to return their options forms on Monday 19th February to the Main Office

## RENISHAW

Year 10 students spent Thursday afternoon at Renishaw's HQ in Wotton-Under-Edge.

After a brief talk on engineering careers and how you can enter at many different levels the students were straight into an engineering task. Could they build a multi coloured LED torch from the kits given?

They then explored faraday magnetic induction before ending with a 'skills' game – directing a measuring probe around a maze. It has to be said that the quickest was their teacher!

Thank you Renishaw's! An inspiring afternoon.



