# 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.

#### Congratulations to this week's SWR Stars!

Freya - for making the most of all of the extracurricular opportunities available. Annie - for fantastic participation in every lesson.

**Floyd** - for his consistently excellent attitude to learning in science. An excellent role model for other students.

Max - for being an SWR role model and showing all of our core values every day. Byron - for always getting it right and putting in 100% effort.

**Jasmine** - She has continued to attend and be positive despite surgery, a swollen mouth and dissolvable stitches falling out.

**Nell** - for having the correct equipment and meeting strong start expectations. Ava - for always having a go at things that are sometimes out of her comfort zone.

Willow - for her fantastic attitude on the Geography rivers trip - getting stuck in and collecting the river data brilliantly.

> Jesse - for a much improved attitude to learning since his mocks/reports/parents evening.



Mr Ruscoe, Mr Skipp and this week's SWR Stars!

### YEAR 10 GEOGRAPHY FIELDWORK

Much fun was had in Geography this week as our Year 10 GCSE students conducted their physical fieldwork.

They were investigating how a river channel changes between a straight section of a river compared to a meander bend.

Despite the cold weather the students showed a brilliant attitude, with a few even willing to get wet feet in the name of accurate data collection!



### SOUTH WEST CROSS COUNTRY

Good luck to Jasper and Max who have been selected to run in the South West Cross Country for Gloucestershire. We wish them the very best of luck and look forward to hearing about their performance.



### YEAR 9 **OPTIONS EVENING**

We look forward to welcoming Year 9 to our Options Evening on Wednesday at 6pm.

This is an exciting time for Year 9 students as they begin the process of making decisions on their education that will begin to shape their future careers. Please don't hesitate to get in touch if you require further information about the event.

#### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

Wednesday 7th February -Options Evening (6pm - 7:30pm)

Monday 12th - Friday 16th February - Half Term

Monday 19th February - Year 10 Across Trust Drama Event at Chipping Sodbury School

Thursday 29th February - Year 11 Romeo and Juliet Trip



### YEAR 8 MATHS CHALLENGE

10 of our most able Year 8 mathematicians joined others in the Athelstan Trust for a day of competitive maths challenges at The Dean Academy. These range from problem solving to strategic thinking and takes students away from some of the more conventional 'classroom maths'. As always, our students conducted themselves brilliantly, and while we didn't take the prizes this year, we enjoyed the experience and will be back again next year!



Mrs Barley, Mrs Staples and students who took part in the Year 8 Maths Challenge

## **YEAR 10 PRACTICE INTERVIEW**

Students in Year 10 experienced a practice interview day from external visitors on Wednesday. For many this was an experience that got them out of their 'comfy chair' and much resilience was needed but they were all fantastic. This was a great opportunity for students to practice their communication and presentation skills. Many of our external visitors commented on how wonderful our students were. An example of one piece of feedback is included below. A big thank you to Mrs Townsend for organising, Mr Mills and Miss Trowell for supervising and well done to all of our Year 10 students!

"I just wanted to say that it was a real pleasure to come and help - I really enjoyed this morning. The Year 10 students I met were all amazing young people - it was a real privilege to be able to come and help them"



