# 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.

## **PRESENTATION**

In assembly this week,
Mr Skipp discussed the high
expectations we have for
students exercise books at
SWR.

This includes their best handwriting, underlining titles, writing from their margins, diagrams in pencil and not leaving out pages.

Pride in their books demonstrates students mindset to their work but also gives them a book of information that they can refer to throughout the year.

## **EXERCISE BOOKS AND EQUIPMENT**

We are seeing an increasing number of students who are coming to school without the correct equipment for their lessons. For students to be ready to learn they will require: a blue or black pen, a green pen, ruler, pencil, rubber and coloured pencils. We would appreciate your support in checking that your child has all the equipment they need for the school day.

### WHY A GREEN PEN?



At SWR, we use a green pen in class whenever the students are acting on feedback from their teacher.

Feedback is a crucial part of the learning process because it shows the student how they can improve their work and therefore make further progress. The green pen shows the student where they have responded to feedback and improved their work.

As a minimum we expect all students to have at least a blue/black pen, green pen, ruler and pencil in every lesson. Some students prefer to use a multi coloured ballpoint pen so they know they always have a black/blue and green pen. Please speak to your child's tutor if you require support to provide this equipment or help on their organisation.

# LOWER **MOOR FARM**

On Wednesday 13th March 7S went on a trip to Lower Moor Farm.

They were there to trial and evaluate their new educational activity package. Thankfully the day stayed dry and students used their map reading skills to navigate a range of different activities linked to climate change.

These ranged from exploring food webs to constructing flood shelters. Plus the whole day allowed us the opportunity to connect with nature and discuss the impacts nature can have on our wellbeing. The day was finished off with a forest school session of shelter and bridge building.

The students in 7S were superb and engaged fantastically well with every opportunity thrown their way. At the end of the day, tired and muddy they eloquently gave very reflective feedback to the team at Lower Moor Farm.



**SWR STARS** 

Congratulations to this week's SWR Stars! Milo, for showing leadership skills during the trip this week. Albert, for his excellent map reading skills.

Annie, Freya and Tegan, for their super shelter building. Melissa, for pushing herself out of her comfort zone and attending the trip to Malmesbury.

Amy, for being a model SWR student on the trip to Malmesbury. Dylan, for your continued display of resilience.

Freddie, for the effort shown during Maths this week.

Monty, for his continued 100% attendance and always meeting expectations.

Honey, for showing resilience and meeting SWR expectations. Freya, for her resilience during this week. Olivia and Ruby, for their effort in English.

Rory, Lily and Larisa, for going above and beyond in what is expected in their revision and homework this week.

Kara, for her great effort in Science lessons.

Jakub, for his polite, happy and helpful nature and always being willing to help staff.



Mr Ruscoe and this week's SWR Stars

## **LOLA AND CO**

On Monday, the Key Stage 4 Spanish GCSE classes went for a long, leisurely, lunch at the delightful Lola and Co, in Tetbury.

Our students were absolutely brilliant, and Lola and Co were so impressed by how they fully immersed themselves in the experience. We sampled some delicious Spanish tapas, including patatas bravas, croquetas, squid ink aioli, and we even saw the famous jamón that Tío Español had been teaching Year 10 about last week.

Lots of students managed to make a (false!) complaint, order extras, and chat with our Spanish waiter. We would like to thank Lola and Co for putting so much effort into hosting us, and giving everyone involved a real taste of Spain. ¡Salud!





### **LEAVERS HOODIES**

\*Only available to purchase by 2024 Year 11 Leavers\*

Year 11 Leavers Hoodies are now live! They can be purchased by clicking here and going to the Year 11 Leavers tab on the main menu.

They are available in sizes S-XXL, in the colours Jet Black, Heather Grey, Oxford Navy, Sky Blue, Burgundy and Baby Pink.

The cut off date for orders is Friday 25th March - please note that hoodies cannot be returned as they are personalised garments.

# OPEN MORNING

Have you ever wondered what a typical day looks like at SWR?

If so why not come and join us for a tour on Tuesday 16th April 2024 at 9AM.

Our amazing students will happily show you around a typical day at SWR as we strive for excellence together.

Click here to book a place

# THANK A TEACHER

19th June 2024 is National Thank a Teacher day.

The Teaching Awards Trust each year offer the opportunity for parents, students and colleagues to send a free personalised thank you e-card to a special teacher or member of support staff.

Receiving one of the cards is an amazing experience and provides a real boost to school staff.

If you are interested in sending a thank you to a member of SWR staff click here

## **SCIENCE WEEK**

Students from Year 7 and 8 were lucky to attend a special Science Week talk by Dr George McGavin at Malmesbury School.

Dr George McGavin told them all about his life as a leading Zoologist and BBC television broadcaster. He highlighted the importance of insects for maintaining biodiversity and highlighted important issues around climate change.

Science Week continued to be celebrated in school this week when they were invited to carry out some fun experiments and to attend a David Attenborough cinema at lunchtime on Friday!

Year 9 students are also taking part in some special Science Week lessons to make Crystal Gardens and look at how the heart rate of Daphnia changes when the temperature of the pond water changes.



SWR Students with Mrs Tall and Dr George McGavin

# **TETBURY RUGBY CLUB**

Tetbury Rugby Club are holding a free girls' training session on Sunday 24th March.

This is open to Year 7-Year 10 students who might be interested in trying the sport for the first time.

## **RED NOSE DAY**

Today was a partial non-uniform day.

For a £1 donation to Comic Relief students were able to replace one item of their uniform with something red!

# Easyfundraising.org.uk

Help us raise funds for your children's school by doing nothing. Well almost nothing. By signing up to easyfundraising, every time you shop at a supporting brand via the app or website, they automatically donate to SWR PTFA. Scan the QR code to take you to the sign up page. Thank you!



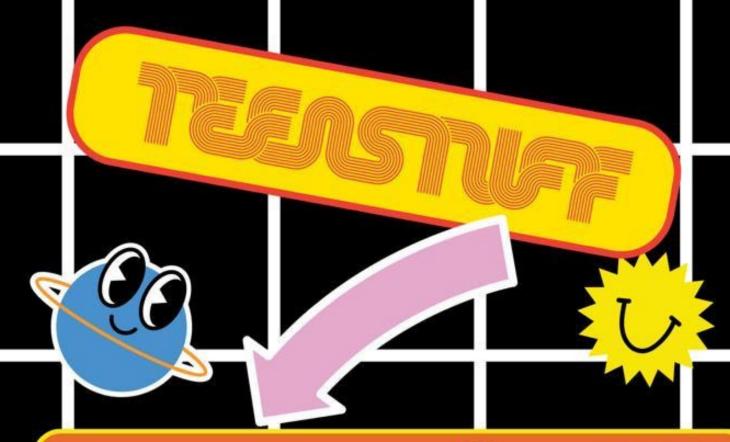
Sir William
Romney School
Uniform for sale/wanted

Next uniform sale: Tuesday 30th April Time tbc



Having a spring clear out? We appreciate any donations of used uniform. Please drop off at school reception. Thanks

Time to start getting your quiz teams together for our fundraiser on April 26th!



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# PRE-LOVED POP UP SHOP FOR TEENS on SATURDAY 16th March 10am-4pm at Brimscombe Mill

Please support us by donating your good quality 12-16 year old clothing that you no longer wear.

www.strouddistrictkidsstuff.org.uk



Bar Tickets £7.50 each Raffle Snacks

United services club, 14 Chipping st, Tetbury, GL8 8ES