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# 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.

Although we have had a short five week term, it has been very busy at SWR with so many achievements and events to celebrate.

I hope this SWR Weekly and Social Media has given you a taste of life at SWR.

If you would like to see the school in action please consider visiting us at our open morning on the 16th April at 9am. More information is included on how to book your spot in this SWR Weekly. We look forward to seeing you there!

I hope you have a very pleasant holiday and we look forward to welcoming you back on Monday 8th April 2024!

#### Mr Ruscoe

#### **HEALTHY SCHOOLS AWARD**

We are thrilled to announce that we have revalidated our Healthy Schools Award, which 'flew through with flying colours'!

We genuinely invest in your child's educational experience at SWR, which is a whole school community endeavour.

From the work that is undertaken in the classroom, the guest speakers, the assemblies and school trips are just a few things that contribute to your child's holistic experience at SWR - and have contributed to this award.

#### WORK EXPERIENCE

As you will be aware your child in Year 10 will be going on their work experience during the last week of Term in term 6 (15th-19th July 2024).

They have received the pack to apply for this in January. If your child has yet to secure a placement it is now urgent that they do so over the Easter break.

Work experience is a fantastic opportunity to experience the work place and develop a range of different skills.

We appreciate that many students have to step out of their comfort zone in undertaking this, however we also know such experiences help to inform post 16 decisions and are invaluable.

If your child needs another pack or support please ask them to speak to their tutor or Mrs Townsend in the main office.

#### ATTENDANCE REWARD NON UNIFORM DAY

Congratulations to the following tutor groups who have achieved the most improved attendance, as a group, in Term 4 and earned a Non-School Uniform Day which took place today.

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## PGL NETBALL

Last weekend we had the privilege of taking 47 students away for PGL Netball.

They competed against a wide variety of schools over the two day periods and produced some wonderful Netball.

In particular, our Year 9 team worked their way through to the semi-final stages on the Sunday, but unfortunately lost to Chauncy School.

With that said, we are incredibly proud of their commitment and resilience despite some heavy competition and weather conditions! Well done to all involved.



SWR Netball Team

#### YEAR 7 FOOTBALL

On Monday, our Year 7 took part in a district school tournament competing against four other schools.

With two secure wins and two draws, this made us finish second overall taking us through the next knock out stages at Rednock School.

There were some amazing individual performances, but equally the whole team really came together to produce some eye-watering football! Congratulations to John who was awarded Man of the Match.



## 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 of April 2024 at 9am. Our amazing students will happily show you around a typical day at SWR as we strive for excellence together.

If you'd like to come along please book a place by clicking this <u>link</u>

# SWR STARS

Congratulations to this week's SWR Stars! **Florence,** for having the 2nd most House Points in Year 7 this half term. **Sana,** for having the most House Points in Year 7 this half term. **Josh,** for galvanising the Tutor Group for house matches. **Elsie,** for being an all round amazing student and really showcasing what it means to be an SWR star!

Jordon, for his thoughtful contributions in Geography. Imogen, for continuing to be wonderfully positive and focused in Geography and being a great buddy to our new student.

**Freddie,** for his effort with his DT practical.

Mae, for her excellent effort in every English lesson.Esmie, for trying incredibly hard in Geography and always putting in 110%.Caelyn, for her excellent attitude to learning in English and for being consistently motivated and working so hard - a real role model!

**Olivia,** for effort in English and excellent collaboration.

**Henry,** for his achievement in his English language mock and focus in lessons recently.

Archie, for great progress in English and media studies. Joe, for dedication in Maths and setting himself the highest of targets.



Mr Ruscoe and this week's SWR Stars

## **POST 16 OPTIONS**

As you'll be aware one of our core values at SWR is ASPIRATION. This value weaves its way through all of our careers education, advice and guidance programme. This features in our Personal Development Programme (under the annual termly focus of 'What does my future hold?'), our assemblies, our tutor programme, embedded within our curriculums, careers related trips, events and opportunities to name a few. Whilst we endeavor to ensure our students are aspirational and follow appropriate pathways to success when they leave us, interestingly 78% of young people say that their parents/carers significantly influence their career choices and aspirations.

That can feel a little daunting as a parent/carer - especially as the digital era we're now in is shaping the workplace at a rapid pace, some might feel a little unarmed to support their child with these choices and aspirations. However, thankfully there's a fantastic resource I'd like to direct you to: Parents Advice for Career Conversations -Talking Futures.

Here you will find a range of resources, even a few conversation starters.

Just a reminder if your child is in Year 11 they should have now applied and received offer/s from their post 16 destination. We have been tracking this in school, however if you are concerned please do contact me. Every child by the time they start their exams would have had a 'Careers Guidance Meeting', unfortunately our Careers Advisor is currently off due to illness, however her replacement starts after Easter to support those students who have yet to be seen.





# The Athelstan Trust

# We're in it Together!



Please join us at Sir William Romney School for an evening with Debbie Riall, author of 'The Autism Resource Manual' and 'The Autism Resource Manual For Families' and Specialist Neurodiversity Lead for the Athelstan Trust.

Open to all parents, whether their children have a formal diagnosis, are awaiting assessment or are beginning to show traits of being neurodivergent. The session will comprise of a presentation focusing on how to support neurodivergent students at home and at school, followed by an opportunity to ask Debbie some questions.

#### Thursday 18th April 2024, 6 to 7:30 p.m.

Sir William Romney School Hall Lowfield Road, Tetbury, Gloucestershire, GL8 8AE

Please use the following link or scan the QR code to register your attendance prior to the event

https://forms.office.com/e/pqVyhDbAqZ





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Dust off your thinking caps and sharpen your mind pencils ready for our SWR PTFA fundraiser Quiz! Come as a team of 6 or join one when you arrive on April 26th at Tetbury United Services Club (the upstairs room). Doors open at 7pm, quiz begins at 7.30pm-so plenty of time to get some drinks in from the good value bar below. We will provide some nibbles and a great quiz from our Quiz Master Jonnie. Come and have a fun evening while raising funds for our fabulous school. A raffle will be held at half time with some brilliant prizes from the local community. We look forward to seeing you there!



Please see the quiz poster for QR code to buy tickets. Or type this URL swrptfa\_quiz.eventbrite.co.uk



Next uniform sale: Tuesday 30th April 5pm-7pm

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Help us raise funds for our school 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



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