

SWR WEEKLY

Striving for Excellence Together



3G PITCH OPENING INVITATION

On behalf of Sir William Romney's School and the Athelstan Trust, I am delighted to invite you to the official opening and celebration of our 3G football pitch on Thursday 1st October at 6.30pm at Sir William Romney's School.

Although the pitch has been in use for almost a year, this event is an opportunity to celebrate this fantastic community facility and recognise the individuals and organisations who helped make it possible.

We are delighted to welcome Chris Hunt Skelley MBE, British Paralympic judoka and Tokyo 2021 Paralympic gold medallist, who will share his inspiring story of resilience, determination and success.

The evening will also explore the story behind the pitch's development and its impact on the school and wider community.

Places are limited and will be allocated on a first come, first served basis.

Please register your interest by clicking [here](#)

We have had another typically busy, but highly successful, week at SWR.

The week began with a number of Open Morning events for prospective families. This year, we have increased the number of Open Mornings following the high demand we experienced last year, ensuring that as many parents and carers as possible have the opportunity to see SWR during a normal school day. The feedback from visitors has been extremely positive, with many commenting on the calm, purposeful atmosphere around the school. We have also received a great deal of praise for our Year 9 tour guides, who represented the school brilliantly and were excellent ambassadors for the wider student body.

We are now looking forward to our Open Evening on Thursday 24th September.

A reminder that the school will close early at 12.40pm to allow staff time to prepare classrooms and displays for the event. Thank you to the many students who have already volunteered to support us on the evening. If you know friends, neighbours or family members who are considering secondary school options for their child, please encourage them to attend. We are incredibly proud of the education, opportunities and support we provide at SWR and look forward to showcasing everything our school has to offer.

This week also saw our Year 8 students take part in an exciting STEM event exploring the physics of flight. We would like to thank STEMworks and Safran for their support in making these workshops possible. The activities provided students with an engaging opportunity to apply their scientific understanding in a practical context while learning more about careers in engineering and technology. You can read more about this event elsewhere in this edition of the SWR Weekly.

As always, thank you for your continued support of the school. I hope everyone has a restful and enjoyable weekend.

Mr Ruscoe

STEMWORKS

Year 8 enjoyed an engaging STEM experience this week through workshops run by @stemworks and generously sponsored by Safran. Students investigated the physics of flight before applying their knowledge in a practical engineering challenge.

Working in teams, they designed, budgeted and tested vehicles, aiming to achieve the greatest distance while ensuring the safety of their passengers.

In addition, students had the opportunity to speak with apprentices from Safran, who shared their experiences and provided valuable information about careers and opportunities within STEM industries.

The workshops provided an excellent opportunity for students to develop their problem-solving, teamwork and design skills in a fun and challenging environment, while also helping them gain a greater understanding of future career pathways.



SWR STARS

Poppy - Fabulous start with your reading in the Library Poppy!

Maci - A great start to English. Maci is polite and helpful and has shown me her intelligence and independence.

Florence - For volunteering to help at the Year 7 BBQ on th PTFA stall & being a really helpful and fun addition to the events team.

Marley - For her excellent start to the year. Involving herself in class discussions and really showing motivation and interest!

Franklin - For having an incredible start to the year in English. A huge star for reading aloud in today's lesson too!

Juno - We are really pleased that Juno will be starting a new student club in the Library.

Max - Max competed in the Welsh Championships last weekend. First time in the u16 aged group and he placed 3rd out of 12. This is such an achievement as Max is now the youngest in his age group this season. Good luck in the North Wales championship this weekend!

Tennessee - For his fantastic start to Year 10. We are so impressed with his attitude to attendance and learning. Well done, Ten!

Pip - For his outstanding introduction to BTEC Enterprise.

Cali - For exhibiting such interest in the GCSE text and for sharing that with her teacher. It's always a pleasure to have in the room.

Maria - For her amazing, confident start in English. A pleasure to teach!

Ruby - For her excellent start to Health and Social Care, investing time into the next assignment.



U16 & U17 PLAYERS WANTED

COULD YOU BE OUR NEXT NEW SIGNING?

Training: Thursdays

Matches:

Saturdays (U17)

Sundays (U16)



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Cotswold District Council's Local Plan: shaping healthy, sustainable communities for the future



Homes, landscape, livelihoods
- a legacy we build together.

Have your say on the future of where you live, study, work, and spend time!

Our proposed Local Plan puts infrastructure at the heart of growth, helping deliver affordable homes, protect the Cotswolds National Landscape, and create healthy, sustainable communities for current and future generations.

The plan shows where around 18,900 homes could be delivered between 2026 and 2043. Most development would be focused on ten strategic sites, allowing homes, jobs, transport links, green spaces and community facilities to be planned together.

Regulation 19 consultation: The consultation opened on 24 August and will run for six weeks, closing on 5 October 2026. This is your chance to share your views. Comments made during this period will be considered as part of the independent examination into whether the plan is legally compliant and sound.



For more information and to keep up to date with all the latest on the Local Plan please visit <https://cotswold.gov.uk/localplan>



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Halloween Disco! 21st October, look out for more details soon



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Year 7 BBQ

It was great to see so many new students and their families at the year 7 BBQ last week. Thank you for buying raffle tickets, soft drinks, snacks and uniform. We raised a fabulous £350! A huge thank you to the Dyson foundation for the donation of the vacuum cleaner! Many thanks also to the parent helpers, the staff and especially Mr Bell the caretaker for all his help.

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FOUNDATION



Open evening

We will be holding a stall serving free tea and coffee at the school open evening on the 24th September. Please share the date with any prospective parents and carers and tell them to come and say hello!

Where money raised by the PTFA has gone....

£3000 Towards the new house system.
£2600 Towards the English department for the Sparx reader programme.
£1736 Towards DT & Food for equipment to improve the departments facilities.

Please continue to support the PTFA as funds go directly to our school!

SWR PTFA
presents...

ON SALE ^{Tickets} NOW!

Prize for best
dressed!

The SWR student
**HALLOWEEN
DISCO**

Raffle

**Wednesday 21st
October**

Drinks

6.30-8pm

Snacks

**All year groups
invited**

£5 in advance via parent pay. £8 on the door

Advance tickets available until 11.59pm Monday 19th October

DJ JOSH ELLIOT