# YOUR GUIDE TO THE WEEK AHEAD AT SWINTON

FRI 6/11/26

EPISODE. 9

# Welcome Back!

## PRINCIPAL:



As we begin the first week back after the October half-term break, I would like to welcome all students, staff and families back to school. I hope everyone had the opportunity to rest, recharge and spend quality time with family and friends.

It has been wonderful to see the school quickly settle back into its positive routines, with corridors and classrooms full of energy, focus and enthusiasm for learning. This term promises to be a busy and exciting one, with many opportunities for our students to achieve and succeed.

A particular well done must go to our Year 11 students, who have returned straight into their trial GCSE examinations. They have demonstrated a mature and determined attitude in preparing for these important assessments, and I have been impressed by their commitment and resilience. The trial exams provide a valuable opportunity for students to experience examination conditions and identify areas for further development as they continue their journey towards the summer GCSE examinations.

Thank you, as always, for the support you provide to the school and to your children. By working together, we can ensure every student is able to thrive both academically and personally.

I wish everyone a successful and enjoyable half-term ahead.

C. Wilson

## KEY DATES COMING UP:

- Thursday 12th November - **Year 9 Careers Day**
- Monday 16th, Tuesday 17th, Wednesday 18th November - **Paris Trip**
- Thursday 19th November - **Y5 Taster Day**
- Friday 20th November - **Children in Need**
- Friday 27th November - **INSET DAY**
- Tuesday 1st. Wednesday 2nd, Thursday 3rd December - **After School Enrichment**
- Monday 7th December - **Y11 Consultation Evening**
- Wednesday 9th December - **Christmas Showcase**
- Thursday 10th December - **Y8 Careers Day**
- Monday 14th December - **Primary Snowflake Festival**
- Thursday 17th December - **Y7 Swinton Does Strictly**
- Friday 18th December - **Enrichment AM - SCHOOL CLOSING AT 12.30PM**

## LEARNING SPOTLIGHT:

This week students in Y7 have been leaning how to simplify algebraic terms. This is a brand new skill to them, as they do not use algebra in primary school, and they are doing an excellent job with the work they are being given to complete. Students are really making an effort to use all of the correct maths terminology, many of these terms are completely new to them, when they give a verbal answer which is absolutely fantastic. Well done to you all the maths faculty are very impressed.



## UPCOMING WEEK:

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|---|---|
| MONDAY | |
| TUESDAY | Geography Quiz P5 / Pokemon Tournament (After School - BCT) |
| WEDNESDAY | |
| THURSDAY | Y9 Careers Day |
| FRIDAY | |

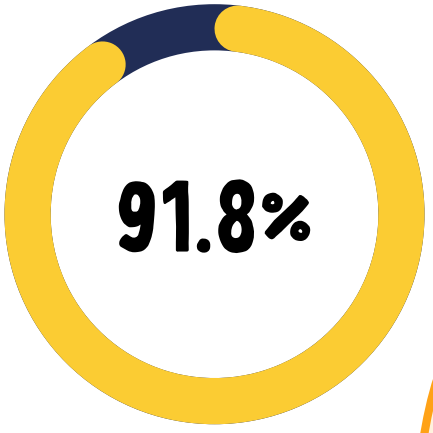
## ACTION REQUIRED:

- ○ Have you set up your Parent Pay account?
- ○ Have you got access to Class Charts?
- ○ Do we have your up-to-date contact details?

*If the answer is **no** to any of the above please get in contact with our reception for assistance.*

## ATTENDANCE:

YEAR TO DATE:




## LISTENING SKILLS

This half term students will be working on their listening skills. This is a transferable skill which employers are looking for in the workplace. This is something we will be using during lessons, but it is also something you can remind students about at home. Listening is good for making sure you have the right instructions and also ensuring you are present in a situation. Encourage your child to 'listen' and not half listen whilst on their phone. This will be a great start to employability.



# PARENT SURVEY FOR BELONGING AWARD

Our school is currently working towards achieving a School Improvement Award, and we would really value your help and support along the way.

As part of this process, we are inviting all parents and carers to share their views by completing a short survey. Your feedback is extremely important in helping us recognise what we are doing well and identify areas where we can continue to improve.

Please take a couple of minutes to complete the survey using the link below. We would appreciate it if responses could be submitted within the next week.

All feedback, comments and suggestions will be carefully considered and will help us shape our plans and priorities for future school improvements.

Thank you for taking the time to share your views. Your voice really does make a difference!

**CLICK HERE**



## THANK YOU WICKES ROTHERHAM!

A huge thank you to the fantastic team at Wickes Rotherham, and especially to Julie Swift, for kindly donating supplies for our ADT students. Your generosity will make a real difference, giving our students valuable resources to support their practical learning experiences.

We really appreciate your support!





## CAREERS MORNING

**Year 9** students will take part in a **Careers Morning** on **Thursday 12th November**, giving them the opportunity to meet representatives from local colleges and employers, learn about different career pathways and explore future opportunities.

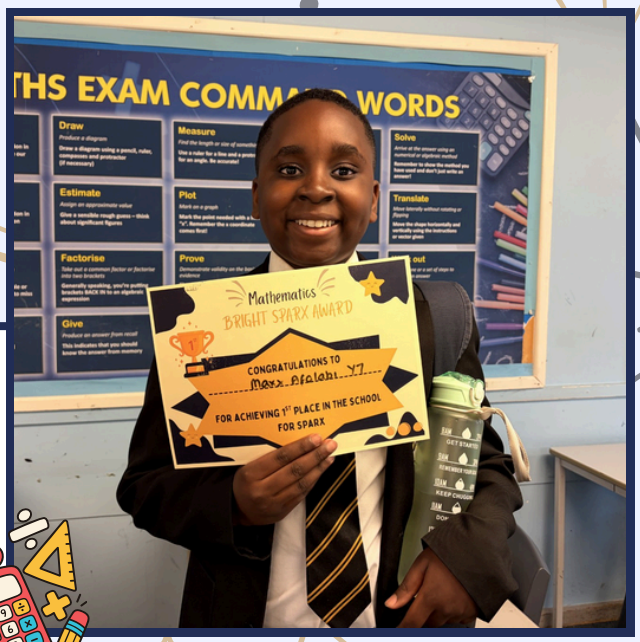
The event will begin with an assembly in **Wentworth Hall,** followed by a series of short, informal meetings with employers and college representatives in the **Humanities department.**

This is a valuable opportunity for students to broaden their knowledge of the world of work and start thinking about their future options.

9.30am - 9.50am - **9A**
9.50am - 10.10am - **9B**
10.10am - 10.30am - **9C**
11am - 11.20am - **9D**
11.20am - 11.40am - **9E**
11.40am - 12pm - **9G**
12pm - 12.25pm - **9F**

## SPARX MATH WINNER!

**Congratulations** to **Maxx Afolabi Y7** for achieving **first place** in the WHOLE SCHOOL for his **SPARX maths points** for half term 1.
Who can be on top next half term?
What an incredible achievement Maxx!
We are proud of you!



# HOUSE UPDATES

Swinton ACADEMY

## HOUSE ATTENDANCE RESULTS

WEEK BEGINNING 19TH OCTOBER

ASPIRE — AMBITION — DREAM BIG, WORK HARD, ACHIEVE MORE
UNITY — RESPECT — TOGETHER, WE ARE STRONGER
ENDEAVOUR — RESILIENCE — EFFORT TODAY, EXCELLENCE TOMORROW
INTEGRITY — RESPONSIBILITY — OWN YOUR ACTIONS, MAKE A POSITIVE IMPACT.

| POS | HOUSE | ATTENDANCE | DOUBLE POINTS THIS WEEK | BONUS POINTS (93%+) | TOTAL HOUSE POINTS |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1st | ENDEAVOUR | 93.78% | 200 | +100 | 300 |
| 2nd | INTEGRITY | 92.46% | 150 | 0 | 150 |
| 3rd | UNITY | 90.59% | 100 | 0 | 100 |
| 4th | ASPIRE | 90.26% | 50 | 0 | 50 |

DOUBLE HOUSE POINTS THIS WEEK!

100 BONUS POINTS FOR 93%+ ATTENDANCE

CONGRATULATIONS ENDEAVOUR!
THE ONLY HOUSE TO ACHIEVE 93%+ ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK!

ONE ACADEMY, FOUR HOUSES, ENDLESS POTENTIAL - TOGETHER WE RISE!

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ACADEMY
OVERALL HOUSE POINTS
AT THE END OF HALF TERM 1
ONE ACADEMY, FOUR HOUSES, ENDLESS POTENTIAL - TOGETHER WE RISE!
BEHAVIOUR & CHARACTER
ENRICHMENT & EXTRA CURRICULAR
SCHOOL LIFE & COMMUNITY
1st
INTEGRITY
CORE VALUE
RESPONSIBILITY
OWN YOUR ACTIONS. MAKE A POSITIVE IMPACT.
3,210
HOUSE POINTS
2nd
ENDEAVOUR
CORE VALUE
RESILIENCE
EFFORT TODAY, EXCELLENCE TOMORROW.
2,630
HOUSE POINTS
3rd
UNITY
CORE VALUE
RESPECT
TOGETHER, WE ARE STRONGER.
2,570
HOUSE POINTS
4th
ASPIRE
CORE VALUE
AMBITION
DREAM BIG. WORK HARD, ACHIEVE MORE.
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HOUSE POINTS
AMBITION
ASPIRE
RESPECT
UNITY
RESILIENCE
ENDEAVOUR
RESPONSIBILITY
INTEGRITY
WELL DONE TO ALL OUR HOUSES!


INTEGRITY
CORE VALUE
RESPONSIBILITY
OWN YOUR ACTIONS.
MAKE A POSITIVE IMPACT.
HOUSE CHAMPIONS
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# EXTRA CURRICULAR TIMETABLE

| DAY | ACTIVITY | ENRICHMENT AREA | WHERE | STAFF | NEED TO SIGN UP? |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| MONDAY | Library Open - Homework, Chess & Games | Civic Engagement | Library | Miss Caddick | NO |
| TUESDAY | Library Open - Homework, Chess & Games | Civic Engagement | Library | Miss Caddick | NO |
| TUESDAY | Basketball KS3 | Sports | Top Gym | Mr Otter | YES |
| TUESDAY | Y7 & 8 Football | Sports | Top Field | Mr Hill | YES |
| TUESDAY | Drama | Arts & Culture | PA Block | Mrs Emms / Miss Bostandji | NO |
| TUESDAY | Band Rehearsal | Arts & Culture | PA Block | Mrs Emms / Miss Bostandji | YES |
| TUESDAY | ADT Club - Christmas (Start 10th November) | Arts & Culture | AR1 | Miss Baker / Miss Brookes | YES |
| WEDNESDAY | Library Open - Homework, Chess & Games | Civic Engagement | Library | Miss Caddick | NO |
| WEDNESDAY | Trampolining Club | Sports | SP Hall | Mr Hill | YES |
| WEDNESDAY | Singing Club | Arts & Culture | PA Block | Mrs Emms / Miss Bostandji | NO |

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| WEDNESDAY | BCT - Enterprise Catch Up Y10 & Y11 | Life & Future Skills | BCT 1 | Mr Machon | NO |
| WEDNESDAY | Debate Club | Life & Future Skills | HU4 | Miss Kenyon | YES |
| WEDNESDAY | Dance | Sports | Top Gym | Miss Gostling | YES |
| WEDNESDAY | Student Leadership Meeting | Civic Engagement | Humanities | Mrs Rhodes | YES |
| THURSDAY | Library Open - Homework, Chess & Games | Civic Engagement | Library | Miss Caddick | NO |
| THURSDAY | Girls Football | Sports | SP Hall | Miss Fretwell | YES |
| THURSDAY | Ceilidh Club | Arts & Culture | Bottom Gym | Miss Walker | YES |
| THURSDAY | Warhammar / Table Top Gaming | Life & Future Skills | HU3 | Mr Russell | NO |

*ALL WEEK - 1st Lunch - PA Block Open*

*ALL WEEK - Break - Year 9 PA Block Open*

- Students will need to sign up for some activities. **Please make sure you register your interest and speak to the lead teacher for further information.**
- Any clubs or activities that require sign-up will begin **next week**.
- **Tuesday:** Year 7 and Year 8 football practice will continue as normal next week.
- **Wednesday:** Year 7 and Year 8 House Football Competition will take place in the Sports Hall.
- **Year 11** students will also have some additional Period 6 sessions for selected subjects.