# YOUR GUIDE TO THE WEEK AHEAD AT SWINTON

FRI 20/11/26

EPISODE. 10



## PRINCIPAL:

This week has provided some wonderful opportunities for students beyond the classroom, including our Disneyland Paris trip. The students involved were a credit to the academy, embracing the experience with enthusiasm, maturity and a real sense of adventure. We are also grateful to the staff who gave their time and commitment to make the visit such a success.

A group of our Year 10 students also had the opportunity to visit the Department for Education in Sheffield to speak with MPs and learn more about careers within the Civil Service. The students represented Swinton Academy exceptionally well and, in the words of Mrs Rhodes, were "an absolute credit to the school."

More broadly, many students have shown great resilience this week by maintaining excellent attendance despite the seasonal illnesses currently circulating. Their commitment to their learning and determination to be in school has been particularly pleasing to see.

As a reminder, Friday 27th November is a staff INSET day and the academy will be closed to students. Learning will resume as normal on Monday.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support of the academy. I hope you and your families have a relaxing and enjoyable weekend.

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## KEY DATES COMING UP:

- 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, Christmas Jumper Day, Christmas Dinner Day**
- Monday 14th December - **Primary Snowflake Festival**
- Thursday 17th December - **Y7 Swinton Does Strictly**
- Friday 18th December - **Enrichment AM - SCHOOL CLOSING AT 12.30PM**
- Monday 4th January - **BACK TO SCHOOL**

## LEARNING SPOTLIGHT:

A huge well done to our BCT students for the fantastic start they've made! Since settling into the course, they have approached every single lesson with genuine enthusiasm, focus, and a brilliant attitude toward their learning. Whether tackling new concepts, working independently, or supporting one another through challenging tasks, their hard work and positivity have stood out in the classroom every day. Keep up the amazing effort - it's great to see such dedication paying off!



## UPCOMING WEEK:

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| MONDAY | |
| TUESDAY | |
| WEDNESDAY | |
| THURSDAY | Year 11 Colleges afternoon |
| FRIDAY | **INSET DAY** |

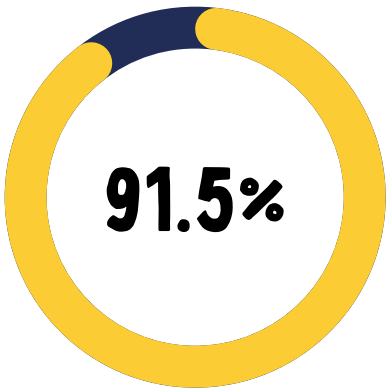
## ACTION REQUIRED:

- ◯ 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:




COMPARED TO LAST WEEK

## ATTENDANCE REMINDER

To help us safeguard all students, please ensure any absence is reported to school by **8:00am** on each day of absence.

If your child has a medical appointment, needs to leave school during the day, is going to be late, or you need to report an absence, please contact our Attendance Team by:

- Calling the school and selecting **Option 1** to speak to the Attendance Team
- Emailing **attendance@swintonacademy.org**

Thank you for your support in helping us maintain accurate attendance records and ensuring the safety of all our students.

## Y11 CONSULTATIONS

**Y11 Parent/carer** consultation appointments will be available to book from **Monday 23rd - Thursday 3rd Dec** (The consultation evening is **Monday 7th December**).

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## BAKE-OFF STAR!

A huge congratulations to **Roman**, who has achieved an incredible success at **Cake International**, the world's largest cake decorating and baking competition, held in Birmingham. Competing in the junior category, Roman impressed the judges with his creativity and baking skills, taking home a fantastic **gold award**! The competition attracted over 1,000 entries across its various categories, making this an even more remarkable achievement. At just 12 years old, Roman has shown fantastic talent and creativity, and we are incredibly proud of his success.

**Well done, Roman!**



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## HAMPER COLLECTION COMPETITION

We are excited to be launching an all-school Christmas Hamper Competition, challenging each form to work together to create some wonderful Christmas hampers!

The hampers will be donated to individuals and families in our local community, including single men and women of different ages, as well as families with one or two adults and up to three children.

Over the next few weeks, we would love for students to start thinking about how they can contribute to this special cause. We are asking for donations of non-perishable food items, but why not add a little festive magic by including something Christmassy too?

Students will work together in their forms to create multiple hampers, so we are also asking everyone to start collecting boxes, wrapping paper, tinsel and other festive decorations to help make their creations stand out. The more imaginative and creative, the better!

There will be an opportunity for students to bring their hampers to life during our Enrichment Morning on 10th December.

There will be a prize for the winning form in each year group, along with some well-deserved House Points!

## Y10 AND Y11 COLLEGES

Next Thursday, **November 26th,** we are holding the **Y10 and Y11 colleges event 1pm -3pm** - students will have chance to meet the colleges and discuss courses for their next steps.

# CHRISTMAS!

Please note that our **Christmas Dinner Day** and **Christmas Jumper Day** will both take place on **Thursday 10th December** this year. We look forward to celebrating with everyone! Please see the festive menu below.

Our catering teams will also be sharing additional menus for the snack bar and deli counters, with a range of festive treats available for students to enjoy throughout December. 🎄






# REMINDER

**Year 10** needs to log into their **work experience account** and set up their forms **ASAP**. There are too many students who have not yet logged in. By Christmas, we need you all online.

# DISNEYLAND PARIS ROUNDUP!





























## Y10 RE GCSE

On Thursday, Y10 RE GCSE had a fabulous and informative trip to the Department for Education in Sheffield looking at careers in the civil service.








## HOUSE FOOTBALL

What a fantastic first House Football Premier League! Across three age-group leagues, all four Houses competed for points, pride and the title of House Football Champions.

With 72 matches played, there was plenty of action, teamwork and House spirit throughout the competition.

**Congratulations to Endeavour**, who were crowned overall champions with an impressive 66 points, 19 wins and a goal difference of +32! Integrity finished second (51 points), followed by Aspire (41 points) and Unity (38 points).

Well done to all students who represented their Houses, showing great determination, resilience, teamwork and respect. A special thank you to those who stepped up to support their teams when players were needed!




## YOUNG ENTERPRISE

This week the **Young Enterprise team** launched their project with **Year 10 students** in assembly. All interested students who want to take part and create a business please see **Mr Machon in BCT.**