

31 January 2017

Dear Parents

Congratulations to:

- **Y10** on their successful **work experience** placements last week. We have received many really positive reports from employers. Many thanks to Mrs Elliott for her hard work in co-ordinating these placements and the staff who visited the students.
- **Sam Lowes (7S)** who has been selected to represent the county at the Sportshall Regional Finals for Indoor Athletics. Sam will be competing in the 2 lap race, the 4 x 2 lap relay and the vertical jump.
- Katie Foster (7C), Daisy Price (7C) and Emie Mettam (8T) who have attained their **Gold Merit Awards**.
- The following pupils who have recently attained their **Silver Merit Awards**: Nate Freeman (7C), Sam Lowes (7S), Charlie Price (7S), Nathan Storr (7S), Madeleine Hayes (7T), Ben Kirby (7T) and Laura Dexter (8S).

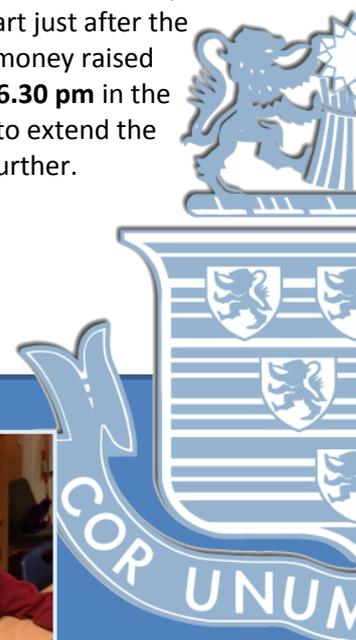
Pupils from **Y8** have returned from a successful **ski trip** in Italy. Many thanks to Mr Ainsworth, Mrs Johnson, Mr Lindsay, Mrs Reyes and Mrs Vowles for taking the trip.

Charity week has started well with over £1,000 raised towards our £5,000 target. A reminder that non-uniform day is on Friday with a charge of £2 and there is a disco at lunchtime (50p entrance).

The **Year 12 and Y13 Parents' Evening** will be on **Thursday 9 March** from 5.00 – 8.00 pm in the school hall. An appointments sheet is attached to this letter for parents of Y12 and Y13 students and we suggest that a gap of 5 minutes is left between appointments. If you are unable to attend this evening please contact Miss Allen (Assistant Headteacher and Head of Sixth Form) to make an alternative appointment.

This half term has been a busy one with many surveys taking place for our new sports hall and classrooms, funded through **PSBP2**. Architectural work is progressing and the build process is due to start just after the summer holiday period. We are presenting to donors the school's plans of how to use the money raised through the One Heart, One Goal, One Team fundraising campaign on **Tuesday 7 March at 6.30 pm** in the hall. We are hoping to utilise the campaign funds to build a swimming pool and would like to extend the invitation to anyone else who might be interested in supporting the fundraising campaign further.

Y10 WORK EXPERIENCE



I am out of school from this Friday until part-way through half term as I am taking a group of Y12 students on the **Study Tour to Australia** so there will be **no Tuesday letter next week**. The purpose of these annual trips is to develop student leadership, enhance A level studies and share good practice. During their nine days in Sydney the students will visit our partner school - Meriden Girls' Anglican School, where they will give presentations and observe lessons. Other highlights will include seeing 'La Traviata' at Sydney Opera House, climbing the Sydney Harbour Bridge, surfing on Manly beach, walking in the Blue Mountains, visiting the NSW Art Museum, the Australian Museum and Taronga Zoo. The students will be writing a daily blog which will be available via Facebook at <http://www.facebook.com/QueenElizabetsAlford> and will also post pictures on our Instagram account, qegsalford.

Lincolnshire Schools' Chess Association is holding its **U18 chess tournament** this Sunday, 5 February in Grimsby. I have attached an entry form to this letter and further details can be found at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/LSCAChess/>

Mrs Kerwick leaves us today. She has been an excellent Teaching Assistant and contributed much to the school. We wish her well for the future.

Finally a reminder that tickets for the school's production of '**Oliver**' are on sale (£6 for adults and £4.00 for concessions) from the school office.

Best wishes

A. Francis

Miss A Francis
Headteacher

