

7 November 2017

Dear Parents

Congratulations to:

- **Cameron Marnoch** who left the school at the end of last year to join St Hugh's College, Oxford and has been awarded a scholarship in recognition of his performance in his recent examinations.
- **Lucas Abbott (8T)** and **Myles Elliott (7T)** who have attained their **Silver Merit Awards**.
- The following pupils who have achieved their **Bronze Merit Awards**:

Evie-Jai Lee (7C)	Dylan Twigg (7C)	Archer Smith (7S)	Daisy Price (8C)
Molly Shipman (7C)	William Laverack (7S)	Grace Sheldon (7S)	Tashan-Rose Stockdale (8C)
Libby Stubbs (7C)	Xanthe Rhodes (7S)	Thomas Barker (7T)	Eliza Taylor (8T)
- The following pupils in the Middle and Upper School who have attained 25 merits:

Kitty Evans (9C)	Aimee Blows (10C)	Jodie Jinks (10C)	Archie Rainbow (11T)
Asha Mettam (9C)	Fergus Bluff (10C)	India Firth (10S)	Jessica Norridge (12S)
Laura Dexter (9T)	Eleanor Collingwood (10C)	Teddy Young (10S)	Orla Parr (12S)

This Sunday, 12 November, the senior student leadership team will take part in the **Remembrance Day Service** at St Wilfrid's Church and lay a poppy wreath at the war memorial on behalf of the school. Poppies are on sale at school all of this week.

The colder weather prompts me to remind you of our arrangements during **poor weather conditions**. If it is necessary for the school to be closed before pupils leave home in the morning, I will put a message on the intranet and also try to email all parents. In addition, notices should be broadcast on Lincs FM, 102.2 FM (and on their website). Should it be necessary to close part-way through a day, due to deteriorating weather, it is important that children are able either to gain access to their own home or to wait at a friend's or neighbour's house. We would be grateful if you could make the necessary arrangements now and make sure your child knows the plan. We will liaise closely with the bus companies regarding road conditions and arrange return transport for pupils at the appropriate time. If, on the day concerned, it is not possible for your child to gain access to your home or a friend's, we would, of course, look after them until alternative arrangements can be made with you. I know that there will be occasions when circumstances change and messages need to be communicated to pupils, but is helpful if these can be kept to a minimum, as it is difficult for the office to deal with a large number of individual messages for pupils when we are also trying to co-ordinate bus arrangements and liaise with local schools. We are keen that arrangements run as smoothly as possible, so that pupils' safety is assured.



Arkwright Scholarship Award

Congratulations to Sébastien Gut (12S) who travelled to London last week to collect the Arkwright Scholarship Award. This was awarded following a rigorous examination and interview process. As part of the award Séb will receive £300 per annum to assist with his studies and gain wider experience of engineering.



We have a strong Music Department with a large number of pupils taking individual instrument lessons. Payment for the Spring Term **music tuition fees** is due by Friday 22 December 2017. Payments can be made through ParentPay at www.parentpay.com or via the school office. Any amendments to your child's tuition must be notified in writing to Mr Wray by Friday 17 November 2017.

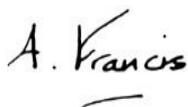
Christmas Celebration Auditions will take place next Friday, 17 November between 4.00 and 5.00 pm in the school hall.

The **Y8 Ski Trip for 2019** (for our current Y7) will take place from 26 January to 2 February 2019. I have attached a letter with details of the trip. A non-refundable deposit of **£75** is required by **24 November 2017** to secure a place and places will be allocated on a first come first served basis.

Finally some reminders:

- The **Christmas Fayre** this year is on **Sunday 3 December**, from 2.00 – 4.00 pm in the school hall. All donations would be much appreciated and should be taken to the school office.
- There are still slots available for our **12-hour Spinathon** at The Greyhound's Spinning Studio in Louth on Sunday 26 November (7.00 am – 7.00 pm). Participants need to pay £10 per hour. This is open to parents as well as students. If you are interested please phone the main reception to book a session (or two).

Best wishes



Miss A Francis
Headteacher



SIXTH FORM OPEN EVENING – THURSDAY 30 NOVEMBER

Our Sixth Form Open Evening is from 6.00 – 9.00 pm on 30 November. This is an opportunity for parents and Y11 pupils to learn more about the various courses on offer. The evening begins at 6.00 pm with talks from senior staff and students. It is then followed at 7.00 pm by time to visit departments where there will be short presentations and the opportunity to discuss courses with subject staff.

