

30 October 2018

Dear Parents

Congratulations to:

- **Lucas Abbott** (9T) who is the first pupil to attain 40 merits.
- The following pupils in the Lower School who have all attained their **Bronze Merit Awards**:

Freya Armstrong (7C)	Thomas Thornalley (7S)	Millie Kenning (7T)	Archie Smith (8S)
Maisie Allen (7S)	Maya Wegorkiewicz (7S)	Lucy Mager (7T)	Oliver Watson (8S)
Alyssa Collier (7S)	Martha Baxter (7T)	Alex Pain (7T)	Dacel Darnbrough (8T)
Poppy Efemy (7S)	Gemma Damms (7T)	Casey-Anne Carrington (8S)	Madeleine Hynes (8S)
Charlie Hewitt (7S)	Megan Jackson (7T)	Isobel Lees (8S)	
- Kiara Sweet (9S), Analise Taylor (10C) and Max Kurczewski (12S) who have also attained **25 merits**.
- **Ellie Rainbow** (10T) who has achieved her **Silver Leadership Award**.

In the recently published **National Performance Tables**, we were pleased to come joint top (with Bourne Grammar) in the County for Progress 8 and joint top (with Caistor Grammar and Kings, Grantham) for the percentage of our Y11 gaining 5+ in English and Maths GCSE. Congratulations to last year's Y11 and their teachers for these excellent results.

The **Christmas Fayre** this year is on Sunday 2 December, from 2.00 - 4.00 pm in the school hall. Raffle tickets will be distributed later in the term. We would also be grateful if pupils could bring in books, toys and games (new or nearly-new please), toiletries, Christmas novelties and any other items suitable for raffle and tombola prizes. Baskets are also needed which could be used for the prize hampers. All donations would be much appreciated and should be taken to the school office.



DOUBLE WORLD CHAMPION

Congratulations to Charlie Hewitt (Y7) who became the kung fu double world champion for his age category at the 10th WCK Championships in Manchester at the weekend.



This term's areas for our **Whole School Literacy Focus** are included below. I hope it is helpful for you to be aware of these.

Finally, a reminder that the **Y12 'Meet the Tutors'** is this evening from 5.00 – 8.00 pm in E1 with talks in the Lecture Theatre at 6.00 pm and 7.00 pm.

Yours sincerely



Miss A Francis
Headteacher

Whole School Literacy Focus Term 2 – of / have

- **Of** is a preposition and indicates the relationship between items e.g. "He is the son of the man over there." or "This is one of my pens."
- **Have** is a verb and can be used on its own as in "I have a car" or as an auxiliary (helper) verb for modal verbs such as could, should and would.
- **Would have, could have** and **should have** are often mistakenly written as 'would of', 'could of' or 'should of' because of the way we speak but what we are saying is the abbreviated version e.g. **would've, could've** or **should've**. Avoid this by writing in full Standard English – "I should have done my Home Learning last week."

Whole School Literacy Focus Term 2 – paragraphing

- Follow the **TIPTOP** rules for paragraphing.
- **Time** – start a new paragraph when there is a change in time e.g. in the case of flashback, flash forward or later on in your story / different period in history. (This rule can also apply to the following subjects: geography).
- **Place** – start a new paragraph when you move location in your narrative, whether it's moving from inside to outside or moving to a different part of the world. (This rule can also apply to the following subjects: geography).
- **Topic** – start a new paragraph when changing point or idea in your essay / story. (This rule can also apply to the following subjects: geography, science, religious studies, business studies, MFL, D&T, music).
- **Person** – start a new paragraph when introducing a new character to your narrative / discuss a new person in your essay. This also applies when writing a dialogue – start a new line for a new speaker.

