

7 January 2020

Dear Parents

I hope that you and your families had a really enjoyable Christmas break and are ready for the challenges and opportunities that the New Year present.

Congratulations to:

- Isla Kneen (7C), Mckenzie-Leigh Riley (7C), Mortimer Woodhall (7C), Olivia Brown (7S), Lilly Murray (7S), Emily Randell (7S) and Emerson Watts (7S) who have attained their **Silver Merit Awards**.
- Megan Lake (9C), Phoebe Murtagh (10T) and Emie Mettam (11T) who have attained **40 merits**.
- Tatiana Hughes-Foster (7C), Amelie-Ferne Stockdale (7C), Logan Annable (7S), Zac Elliott (7T), Kai Rawlings (7T), Scarlett Burwood (8C), Kaycie-may Coxon (8C), Edward Ashwin (8S), Poppy Efemey (8S) and Jack Moczarski (8S) who attained their **Bronze Merit Awards** before the end of last term. Bronze Merit Awards will continue to be celebrated and awarded in Friday's Achievement Assemblies, however they will not be included in further Tuesday letters.
- The Middle and Upper School pupils who have attained **25 merits**:

Victoria Archer (9S)	Emily Willey (9T)	Nate Freeman (10C)
Daisy Price (10C)	Helena Kurczewska (10S)	Jacob Cheadle (11C)
Nadine Hartzenberg (11C)	Bronwen Steer (11C)	Lara Lewis (12C)

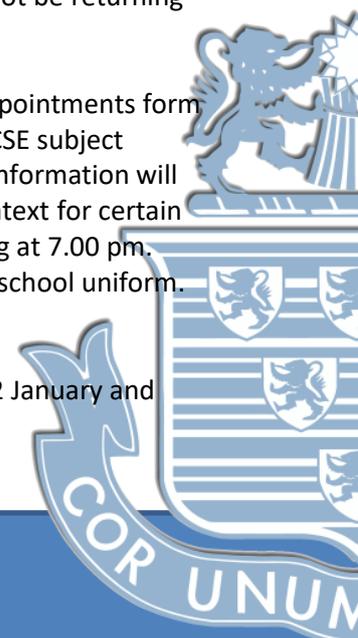
As you will be aware, internal examinations start the next week for Y7, Y9, Y11, Y12 and Y13. **Y11 will receive all of their results on Tuesday 4 February, pd 3**, rather than receiving them in subject lessons (as will happen for other year groups). We have found that doing this replicates the experience of results day more closely for Y11 and it is valuable to see their results all together. Staff will therefore not be returning or going through Y11 papers until after this date.

The **Y8 Options and Parents' Evening** is on Thursday 16 January, 6.00 pm – 9.00 pm. An appointments form was distributed prior to the Christmas break. A curriculum booklet outlining the various GCSE subject courses and option choices will be distributed next week, and then at the meeting further information will be given about the structure of the middle school curriculum and subject choices put in context for certain careers. The talks start at 6.00 pm followed by appointments with individual staff beginning at 7.00 pm. Please note that pupils are encouraged to attend this meeting with you and must wear full school uniform. The final deadline for option choices is Friday 20 March.

A reminder that the **Y10 Parents' Evening** takes place the following week on Wednesday 22 January and appointment sheets were distributed before the end of the last term.



**Lincolnshire
Road
Safety
Partnership**



'Time for Road Safety' Newsletter attached!

There will be some **revision classes for Y11 and Y13** during the week beginning Tuesday 14 April. Further details will follow before half term.

We attach the Alford Community Centre What's On Guide for January 2020, which you might find useful.

GCSE and A Level Examination Certificates are available for collection from the school office. Former students should arrange to collect them or email or forward a letter to school nominating a person to collect them on their behalf.

Finally, I would like to welcome **John Appleby** who has joined us this term as a Teacher of Science. I would also like to welcome back **Nick Jaines** who is supporting us in the Maths department. We as a staff look forward to working with you both.

Yours sincerely



Mr G Thompson
Headteacher

CHARITY WEEK

This year's Charity Week starts on Monday 3 February.

Each lunchtime that week, forms will be organising events to raise money as well as the following events:

Charity Fun Run on Tuesday 10 March
Spring Celebration on Friday 20 March at 7.00 pm

Watch this space for our chosen charities – details coming soon!

