

20 November 2018

Dear Parents

Congratulations to:

- **Hugo Fry** (13C) and **Sid Morris** (13C) who both gained Gold Certificates in the UK Maths Challenge and have qualified for the UK Mathematics Trust Olympiad round which will take place later this month.
- **Ella Tuplin** (11S) who has become the youngest player to make her debut for Boston United Ladies FC. She also scored a goal in her debut game.
- Evie Green (7S) who is the first Lower School pupil to attain her **Gold Merit Award** and Lucas Abbott (9T) who is the first pupil in the Middle School to attain **60 merits**.
- The following Lower School pupils who have recently attained their **Silver Merit Awards**:
Alyssa Collier (7S) Martha Baxter (7T) Megan Jackson (7T)
Thomas Thornalley (7S) Lucy Housman (7T) Jessica Willey (7T)
Maya Wegorkiewicz (7S)
- Helena Kurczewska (9S) who has also attained **40 merits**.
- The following Lower School pupils who have achieved their **Bronze Merit Awards**:
Esme Howard (7C) Ruby Hall (8C) Sophie Wyman (8S)
Angela Jean Noveno (7C) Amelia Marsh (8C) Henrietta Mossop (8T)
Douglas Boston (7S) Dylan Twigg (8C)
- The following pupils in the Middle School who have attained **25 merits**:
Kayleigh Alexander (9C) Abigail Green (9S) Laura Jeanes (9T) Harrison McDonald (10S)
Nicholas Hamilton (9C) Eloise Lane (9S) Emily Otter (9T) Ellie Chambers (10T)
Daisy Price (9C) Adsaiya Sanganythy (9S) Eliza Taylor (9T) Macey Stables (11C)
Brodie West (9C) Hameedah Abdulraheem (9T) Elliott Cooksey (10C) Emily Barker (11T)

It has come to light over the last few days that a number of Y7 pupils are accepting people onto group chats that they do not know. Subsequently there have been a number of offensive and threatening comments made. I would encourage you to monitor your child's use of **social media** carefully and emphasise the potential dangers they could expose themselves to. We would suggest that pupils only add people to group chats or their 'friends' if they know the person rather than adding friends of friends.



GOLD STUDENT LEADERSHIP AWARD

Congratulations to **Freya Young (10C)** who has recently become the youngest student to complete her **Gold Leadership Award**.



Over the last week there have been a number of instances of **head lice**. In order to reduce the possibility of further infestation, please will you check your own son/daughter's hair and treat it if necessary. Lice are not fussy about hair length or cleanliness but they do spread extremely easily within a family or a class so it is very important that all members of the family are checked.

No further nominations were received for **parent governors**, so Julia Barker and Simon Fry are duly elected for a further 4 years.

We hope that Raffle tickets (organised by the Friends) will be distributed to pupils later this week for the **Christmas Fayre**. Each ticket costs £1 and it would be helpful if stubs and money could be returned to the school office by next Wednesday, 28 November please. This is an important means of fundraising for the school and we very much appreciate your help and support.

The **Christmas Celebration**, organised by the Middle School Prefects, is on Thursday 6 December at 7.00 pm in the school hall. Our **Carol Concert** is then on Monday 17 December at 7.00 pm. Tickets for both events are £6 each for adults and £4 for concessions. These are on sale at the school office from Wednesday 28 November. If you would like to attend both the Christmas Celebration and the Carol Concert, there is a discounted rate of £10 for adults and £6 for concessions.

Christmas Dinner will be served on Thursday 13 December. For £4.00 there is a choice between the traditional turkey dinner with a pudding (Christmas pudding or chocolate mousse), or the vegetarian alternative, nut roast, with the same choice of puddings. Mince pies, crackers and squash will also be provided. Pupils will eat in three sittings: Cecil at 12.00 pm, Spanning at 12.30 pm and Travers at 1.00 pm. Please note that *only* Christmas dinner will be available from the canteen on that day and there will be no break sales. Pupils not wishing to have Christmas dinner should bring a packed lunch. Please can you complete the choices form (attached) and return it to the school office, with your payment, by Friday 7 December.

Finally some reminders:

- **Sixth Form Open Evening** is on Thursday 29 November, starting at 6.00 pm.
- Our **Christmas Fayre** is on Sunday 2 December, 2.00 - 4.00 pm in the school hall. Thank you for your contributions thus far for the tombola and raffle prizes.

Best wishes

A. Francis

Miss A Francis
Headteacher

QUEEN ELIZABETH'S GRAMMAR,
ALFORD
CAROL CONCERT
WHAT CHRISTMAS MEANS TO ME

joy
faith
angels
carols
family
magical
traditions
fellowship
merriment
miraculous
newborn King

Monday 17 December 2018
7.00 pm in the school hall
Tickets are on sale at the school office -
£6 for adults and £4 for concessions

Discounted rates (£10 for adults and £6 for concessions) are available if attending the Christmas Celebration on Thursday 6 December and the Carol Concert!

Queen Elizabeth's Grammar, Alford
presents

*Christmas
Celebration
A Christmas
Masquerade 2018*

Thursday 6th December
at 7.00 pm

