

## Parental Communication & Engagement



### Message from Head Teacher

I hope you all had a fantastic Christmas and may I wish you all a Happy New Year. Our week started off with Assemblies for all year groups in which I outlined the values I want all Dormston students to embrace. These are; Effort, Knowledge, Respect, Responsibility and Resilience. You will hear more about this in future weeks.

I would also like to welcome to the school; Mr Clements who will be joining our Computer Science Department, Miss Powell who will be temporarily teaching textiles whilst Mrs Poleykett has her baby, Mr Porter has joined our Science Department and Miss Hurst and Miss Begum who have joined our Support Staff Team.

Cross Curricular Day took place on Thursday and was a huge success. Our Year 7s had a great time at RAF Cosford whilst Year 8 took part in lots of workshops around the theme of 'Carnivals'. Year 9 were give a taste of college life at Halesowen College whilst Year 10 & 11 were supported in their English and RE GCSEs.

You may now receive one of our 'Quick Notes' if your child has worked particularly hard in one of our curriculum subjects. They will come home with one of our specially designed notes and you may also receive a GroupCall. We hope you will also reward them at home for their efforts.

And finally, a huge congratulations to our Year 7 Football Team as just before Christmas they won the Year 7 Brierley Hill & Dudley 5-aside Football Championships. Let's keep collecting those trophies!

**Head Teacher**

### Letters Sent Out Recently Available on our Website

- ALL Parents/Carers - Understanding Progress 8 & School Data Evening Letter - 29 January 2019;
- Year 11 Learning Support Revision Session Letter *\*Selected pupils only;*
- Year 9 Parents/Carers Consultation Evening Letter - Thursday 17 January 2019;
- Dormston Ski Course 2020 Expression of Interest Letter *\*Interested pupils only;*
- Express Dance Company Letter - 'Move It' Convention - Friday 8 March 2019 *\*Selected pupils only;*
- Youth Speaks Rotary Club Competition - Tuesday 22 January 2019 *\*Interested pupils only.*

## Events/Trips

### EVENTS

- Year 9 Parents/Carers Consultation Evening - Thursday 17 January 2019.

### TRIPS

- There are no trips this week.

## General Reminders/Updates

- Deadline for returning Year 9 Parent/Carer Consultation Evening Reply Slip - Monday 14 January 2019;
- Dormston Ski Course 2020 Initial Deposit Due (£200) - Friday 18 January 2019.

## Sporting Results

### **Brierley Hill & Dudley Schools 5 a-side Football Tournament**

Wednesday 12 December 2018 saw the Year 7 Boys and Girls kick off their campaign in this year's Tournament. The Boys progressed to the final being undefeated. Their wins against Crestwood and Pegasus lead to a 4 - 0 win against St James to secure their place. The Girls beat St James 2 - 0 and lost to Crestwood 7 - 0. However, the girls progress to the final as Runners Up in the competition. Fingers crossed for a double celebration for the Year 7's.

### **Wednesday 19 December 2018 - FINALS DAY - Dormston Football Dynasty Grows**

The Girls team finished runners-up. They lost to Crestwood, beat Wordsley 3 - 0 and beat Ellowes 3 - 1. Amy Robinson was the team's star taking centre stage by scoring all of the goals. A special mention to Ruby Hickman for her performances as a stand-in goalkeeper. The squad line up was Lily Elwell, Amber Bradley, Keira Hall and Ella Lloyd.

The Boys team came away being **CHAMPIONS** of the tournament. Their victories started with a draw against Crestwood 0 - 0, a win over Ellowes 3 - 0 and to top it off a 4 - 0 hammering against Wordsley. A shout out to Ethan Masson, scoring the only hatrick in the match against Wordsley. The team sheet consisted of Todd Potter, Myles Davies, Matthew Cox, Charlie Hawkes, Tyenne Campbell, Tom Nicklin and Oliver Hall.

A massive thank you for the Year 11's that refereed these games over 3 cold Wednesday evenings, we have the new and improved Micheal Oliver and Sian Massey-Ellis in the making: Ethan Hawkes, Luca Hill, Shanan Bala, and Nathan Ormerod. You did a great job 😊.

### RESULTS

The Year 10 Basketball Team welcomed Ellowes Hall on Tuesday 11 December 2018. Ellowes took the win 10 - 48. The Year 11 Basketball team were thrashed 50 - 6 against a very strong Bishop Milner team that contained some players that play Senior Basketball. The team kept working hard especially Jake Edwards and hopefully the improvements will carry on into the next game against Summerhill.

### **SKI TRIP REMINDER**

There will be regular meetings during school time for pupils attending the Ski Trip from now until pupils leave for their adventures on the slopes. Times and dates will be put up on the PE Notice Board (outside the PE Office). Please ensure your child checks as these meetings are important and it is vital that they attend.

## **Thank You & Well Done**

Well done to the following pupils who have recently received Head Teacher Commendations.

Lily-Mae Bull	Demi Evans	Ethan Hunt	Ruby Jones
Ellie Turner	Sophie Kimerblin	Nikita Joy	Demi Aston
Antonnia Pratt x 2	Miles Davies	Samuel Burton	Rhys-Jon Whitehouse
Curtis-Jay Bennett	Rosie Sutton	Jake O'Sullivan	Erin Tully
Amy Robinson	Hannah Steadman	Millie Mae Hunt	Ellie Hall
Amy Palmer	Amelia Smith		