

## Parental Communication & Engagement



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### Message from Head Teacher

There was some stylish knitwear on Tuesday as our students donned their Christmas finery to raise money for 'Shelter' the charity which supports homeless teenagers. Through the generosity of our students we raised over £1,100. The charity collection was followed by our Tie Awards Evening. Many of our students from all houses were presented with their Bronze, Silver and Gold ties in recognition for their effort and commitment to school life. We hope they wear their ties with pride. Last week, we also awarded our 'Core Value Stripes' which students are expected to wear under their house badge. This recognises outstanding achievement in our school's core values.

We are breaking up on Friday 20 December 2019 at 12.00pm. Students should return to school on Monday 6 January 2020 to a Week 2 Timetable. We wish you all a very happy and peaceful Christmas and look forward to working with you in the New Year.

**Head Teacher**

### Letters Sent Out Recently

\*Selected student only letters are given out to your child by hand or are posted directly home. The criterion for 'selected student only' opportunities are based on various factors depending on the trip and its focus. Unfortunately, we are unable to allow every student the opportunity to be involved with every activity which we understand sometimes causes disappointment. If you require more details about the selection process for any opportunity please contact the event organiser.

- Years 7 - 10 - Dormston Ski/Snowboarding Trip 2021 Letter *\*Interested students only;*
- Year 10 GCSE RE May 2020 Letter;
- Year 9 Holocaust 'And Then They Came for Me' Performance Letter - Tuesday 4 February 2020;
- New Year 7 Book Club Letter *\*Selected students only*

### General Reminders/Updates

- Dormston Ski Course 2020 Final Deposit (£150) - Friday 10 January 2020;
- Dormston Ski/Snowboarding Austria Trip 2021 Reply Slip Deadline – Friday 10 January 2020.

### Sporting Update

#### Football Results

Monday 9 December 2019 saw the Year 8's travel to Crestwood School for the annual 5 a side Tournament. They kicked off against Ellowes with a 2 - 0 victory and then gave St James a 4 - 0 thrashing. Dormston saw Crestwood in the semi-finals and this match went into extra time, however Dormston came out on top with a 3-

1 victory and a place in the finals. With a tight and dramatic match, only one goal split the score.....Dormston were Runners up losing 1 - 0 to Ellowes. The team sheet was Todd Potter, Ethan Masson, Myles Davies, Charlie Hawkes, Tom Nicklin, Tyler Fox, Dugan Porter and Matthew Cox.

## **Thank You & Well Done**

Well done to the following students who has recently received a Head Teacher Commendation.

George Ward	Eve Ringham	Isabelle Thomas	Jessica Price
Libby Moore	Stephanie Fish	Eleanor Forbes-Ritte	Millie Detheridge