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## News from the Principal

Another week has flown by. Hopefully, the snow has now gone with it! Many thanks to Mr Bond for organising our Year 9 Careers Drop Down Day on Wednesday. There were a wide range of activities that took place including, external speakers and visits for some learners to Wales High School, Barnsley College and Wigfield Farm. The purpose of the day was to enable Year 9 learners to consider what they may wish to pursue when they leave school, in order to better equip them to make more informed options choices. We received some excellent feedback from our learners who found the day extremely purposeful.

As many of you are possibly aware, Carillion, the firm that manages our school building and site, went into liquidation at the beginning of the

week. Currently, there is no impact on the day to day running of the school and the Local Authority are working closely with the Barnsley Local Education Partnership, who are ultimately responsible for the provision of this service and central government, to ensure that this continues to be the case until the issues have been resolved. Thank you to our Carillion based staff team, site managers, caretakers and cleaners who continue to give 100% to ensure the smooth running of the school, despite the personal uncertainty that they are now facing.

We welcomed Garry Goddard from our link charity, Lincs2Nepal into school in Wednesday. Following discussions with learners, we have agreed that this year we will sponsor 5 children. Our sponsorship will enable

them to attend the Jovi Jyoti School in Nepal and will support the provision of uniform and equipment. Watch this space for future fundraising activities. Our staff development meetings over the course of this half term are focused specifically on developing the use of effective questioning and differentiation. Staff are working collaboratively and engaging in the use of our lesson recording software, IRIS Connect. We have several trips running over the coming weeks and months. Should any parents and carers require further information, please do not hesitate to contact the trip coordinators listed.

**Ms Kate Davies**  
**Principal**

### ESA/ Rome Visit:

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### Belgium Battlefields Trip:

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### Wimbledon Championships 2018:

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### Darton Ski Trip:

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### Spanish Exchange:

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### Caythorpe Court Adventure Centre:

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## YEAR 9 OPTIONS INFORMATION EVENING

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# OPTIONS EVENING

## TUESDAY 6TH MARCH

### 5.30PM - 7.30PM

Presentation time slots will be available to pre-book shortly at 5.45pm - 6.15pm - 6.45pm.



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## YEARS 7-10 FORM TIME READING

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# YEARS 7-10 FORM TIME READING

Learners are required to bring a book, newspaper or suitable magazine into school as part of their daily essential equipment. Reading will take place as part of form time activities.



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A reminder that learners in Year groups 7-10 are to bring into school suitable reading material as part of their daily essential equipment.

## YEAR 10 GCSE DANCE PERFORMANCE

Our Year 10 GCSE learners in Dance represented Darton College at Horizon Community College last Sunday where they performed in the Yorkshire 'Crossing Borders' Dance Platform. We were one of 9 schools from all over South Yorkshire to perform and we now hope to secure a place performing at 'Fresh' in March, which will be held in York. Miss Marshall commented that our dancers were an absolute credit to the school both in their conduct throughout the day and their level of commitment and professional standard of performance.

**WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE WK ENDING 12TH JAN - 94.90%**

## KEY DATES

- 25TH JANUARY 2018  
Year 11 Mock Exam Results Day
- 7TH FEBRUARY 2018 - 4.30PM - 7.30PM  
Year 11 Parents' Evening
- 9TH FEBRUARY 2018  
Break Up for Half Term
- 19TH FEBRUARY 2018  
Return to School
- 1ST MARCH 2018  
World Book Day - Themed Lunch
- 6TH MARCH 2018 - 5.30PM - 7.30PM  
Year 9 Options Evening
- 23RD MARCH 2018  
Break Up for Easter / INSET Day
- 9TH APRIL 2018  
Return to School

For additional key dates, please see the calendar shown on our school website.

## YEAR 11 PARENT'S EVENING

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# PARENTS' EVENING

## WEDNESDAY 7TH FEBRUARY

### 4.30PM - 7.30PM

<https://dartoncollege.parentseveningsystem.co.uk>

Booking for teacher appointments opens on Wednesday 24th January, 8.00pm.



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