

15 Feb 2019

15-20 Feb New York Trip

15 Feb LAST DAY OF TERM

22 Feb GCSE Drama Rehearsal

25 Feb FIRST DAY OF TERM

25 Feb - 1 Year 13 Mock Exams

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27 Feb Rock Challenge Rehearsal

28 Feb Rock Challenge Event

2 Mar Duke of Edinburgh Award Drop in Clinic at Carré's Grammar School

4-8 Mar National Careers and Apprenticeships Week

4 Mar Duke of Edinburgh Award Bronze Practice Deadline

4 Mar Year 8 PSHE Day

4 Mar PTA Meeting 7.00pm

7 Mar Year 11 Parents' Evening

8 Mar Year 7 & Year 8 Movie Night

*to be confirmed*

Dear Parents/Guardians,

This week in assemblies we have shared the latest research and advice from the Medical Commissioner, which you may have seen on various news platforms, regarding appropriate levels of use of mobile phones by young people. We already have tight rules in school about where and when young people can use their mobile phones and after the half term break this will include the fact that mobile phones will not be permitted in the school dining areas at break and lunch. We ask parents to play their part in supporting our attempts to educate young people regarding phone use. Last term staff spent one afternoon counselling a student whose parent had phoned her daughter at lunchtime to relay upsetting news of a family member's terminal illness. This was clearly not in the best interests of the student. Whilst this is an extreme example we hope that parents realise that the school office is available to liaise between you and your child in any emergency but that contacting your child by mobile phone during the day distracts them from their learning and can cause confusion and upset.

There is no doubt that mobile phones are also, on occasion, a useful learning resource in lessons, however we discourage our students from bringing them to school and draw your attention to the KSHS mobile phone policy we have had in place since the start of the academic year regarding their use and confiscation. Please do take this opportunity to familiarise yourself with the policy which takes due regard for student safety but applies a common sense approach to student wellbeing at school day to day.

Mrs J Smith  
Head of School

## Advance notice for Year 11 Parents:

March 18th-20th sees a second chance for students in Year 11 to check their progress in key curriculum areas in a GCSE 'mock' exam setting. The three day experience includes subject specific study skills sessions as well as timed exam experiences in Mathematics, English and Science GCSEs. Students will also have the chance to undertake a written paper in a subject

of their choice. A special assembly after the half term break will brief students on this opportunity which will test whether their post December mock exam feedback, and work undertaken since then, is paying dividends. You will have the chance to ask further questions about this at the forthcoming Year 11 Parents' Evening on March 7th. You may in the meantime like to discuss with your daughter which subject they will nominate to have a further practice at, under timed conditions in the hall.

## SUBJECT AWARD BADGES AND HEADTEACHER'S AWARD

At this half way point in the year we were delighted to recognise students in Years 7 to 13 with subject award badges this week in assemblies.

The badges are given in recognition of academic achievement, improved progress or noteworthy effort in specific subject areas. Each teacher is able to nominate up to two students per class.

Badges are awarded for a second time at the end of the summer term.

Congratulations to all award winners.

Pictured are some of the recipients of the Headteacher's Award badges. These are presented to students who have been nominated by teachers in four or more different subject areas.

Mrs J Smith  
Head of School



**Year 7 (from left to right):**  
Hope, Meredith, Catherine, Lottie, Abi, Anya, Lucy, Eve, Romilly and Eva



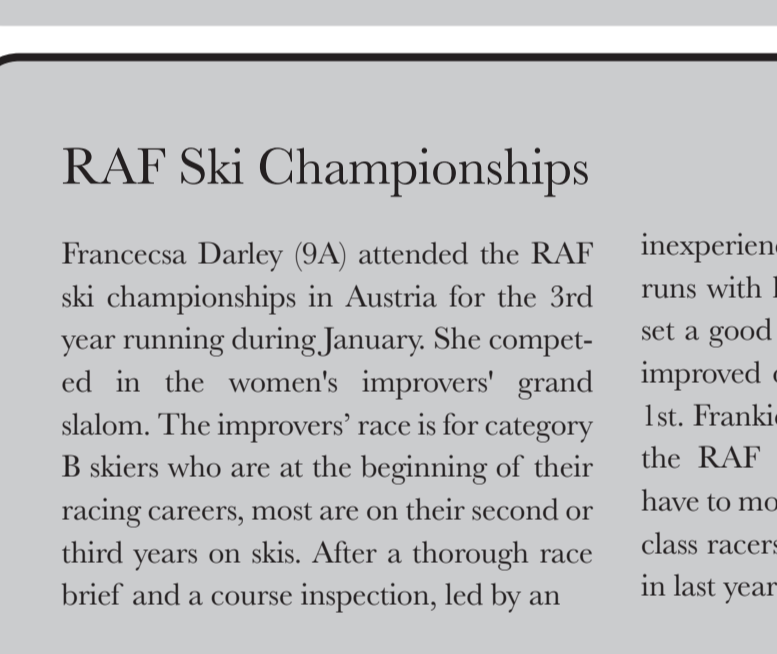
**Year 8 (from left to right):**  
Charlotte, Freya, Harriet and Isobelle



**Year 9 (from left to right):**  
Scarlett, Scarlett, Erin, Lucy and Lottie



**Year 10 (from left to right):**  
Alexia and Bethany



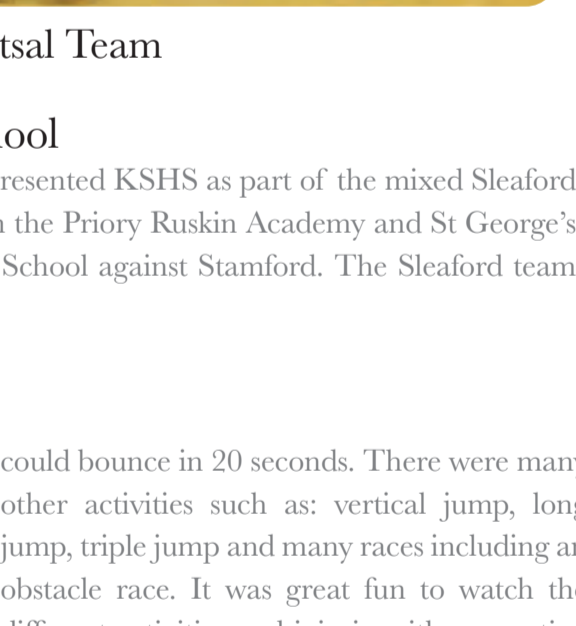
**Year 11 (from left to right):**  
Alice, Amelia and Isobel

## District Final of Young Chef Competition

On Saturday 9th February Scarlett and Alice travelled to Peterborough for the next round in their challenge after having won the Sleaford Final. The standard was very high again this year as the students all produced a starter, main course and dessert with limitations in their budget. This was a fantastic opportunity and experience for both students from KSHS working alongside professional chefs from local industry. Unfortunately they did not gain a place through to the next round even with their wonderful skills and dishes. However, Scarlett did receive an award for 'the dish of the day' voted for by the judges and she received a cash prize for this and a certificate. Alice was the youngest student to get to the district round and walked away

planning her entry for next year!  
I would like to thank all the students and their families who have supported the Young Chef competition this year.

Mrs J Pankhurst  
Subject Leader Technology



## RAF Ski Championships

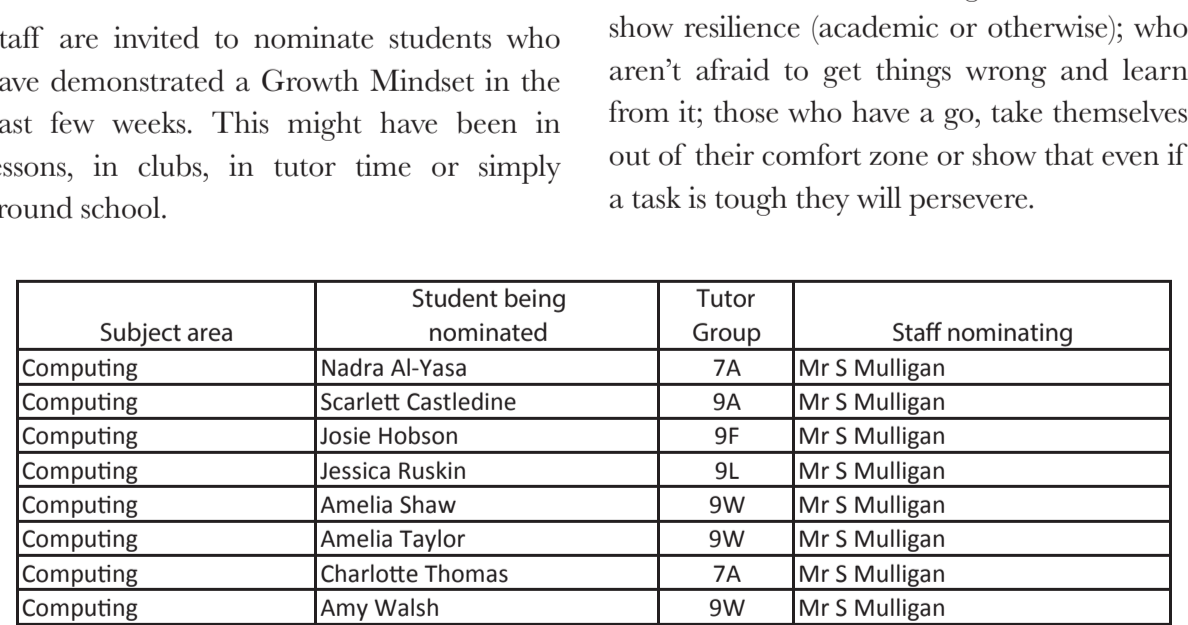
Francesca Darley (9A) attended the RAF ski championships in Austria for the 3rd year running during January. She competed in the women's improvers' grand slalom. The improvers' race is for category B skiers who are at the beginning of their racing careers, most are on their second or third years on skis. After a thorough race brief and a course inspection, led by an

inexperienced instructor, Frankie did 2 runs with her best time to count. Frankie set a good time in her first run which she improved on for the second run to place 1st. Frankie is the youngest ever winner at the RAF Championships and will now have to move up to the next category for C class racers, a race her mother came second in last year so she has a target to beat.

## Spotlight on Sport

### Year 7 Girls' Futsal Team through to the County Round

The Year 7 Futsal team have made it through to the County round after winning the KSSA tournament. Good luck girls!



Year 7 KSHS Futsal Team

## Year 10 Swimming at Stamford School

Sarah Durham (10A) and Gracie Palmer (10L) represented KSHS as part of the mixed Sleaford School Swimming team with other swimmers from the Priory Ruskin Academy and St George's Academy. The competition was held at Stamford School against Stamford. The Stamford team was successful in winning the competition. Well done Sarah and Gracie!

## Sports Leadership

On February 1st, a group of Year 9 students and I went to Northgate Sports Hall to help with the Primary Inter-school Indoor Athletics competition. We all had lots of fun assisting with different activities and helping the competitors where needed and working on our leadership skills. Caitlin Ford (9F) and I helped on the speed bounce field event together. This meant we had to work with the children from the primary schools and count how many times they

could bounce in 20 seconds. There were many other activities such as: vertical jump, long jump, triple jump and many races including an obstacle race. It was great fun to watch the different activities and join in with supporting some of our own old primary schools.

We were all incredibly proud of the children as they all tried their best and worked really well to help their school. We would just like to say thank you to the Outreach Team for the opportunity and thank you for a great day.

Charlotte Dunham (9A)

Results			
Age Group	Opposition	Date	Result
<b>Futsal</b>			
Year 7	Kesteven & Sleaford Sports Association (KSSA) Schools tournament	Away Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> January @ St George's Academy	Won
<b>Swimming</b>			
Joint school competition	Stamford	Away @ Stamford Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> January	Won

Upcoming fixtures		
Age Group	Opposition	Date
<b>Dodgeball</b>		
Under 13	County Final	Away Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> February @ Lincoln
<b>Netball</b>		
Year 7 A & B	Priory Ruskin Academy	Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> February @ home
Year 7 A & B	St George's Academy	Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> March @ home
Year 7 A & B	Sir William Robertson Academy	Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> March @ Sir William Robertson Academy
Year 7 A & B	Walton Girls	Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> March @ Walton Girls
Year 8	St George's Academy	Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> March @ St George's Academy
Year 8	Priory Ruskin Academy	Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> March @ Priory Ruskin Academy
Year 9	St George's Academy	Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> March @ St George's Academy
Year 9	Priory Ruskin Academy	Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> March @ Priory Ruskin Academy

## GROWTH MINDSET NOMINATIONS

28th January to 8th February 2019

Staff are invited to nominate students who have demonstrated a Growth Mindset in the past few weeks. This might have been in lessons, in clubs, in tutor time or simply around school.

Please note we already award bi-annual subject badges and merits for good academic work, effort and improvement. These Growth Mindset nominations recognise those who show resilience (academic or otherwise); who aren't afraid to get things wrong and learn from it; those who have a go, take themselves out of their comfort zone or show that even if a task is tough they will persevere.

Subject area	Student being nominated	Tutor Group	Staff nominating
Computing	Nadra Al-Yasa	7A	Mr S Mulligan
Computing	Scarlett Castledine	9A	Mr S Mulligan
Computing	Josie Hobson	9F	Mr S Mulligan
Computing	Jessica Ruskin	9L	Mr S Mulligan
Computing	Amelia Shaw	9W	Mr S Mulligan
Computing	Amelia Taylor	9W	Mr S Mulligan
Computing	Charlotte Thomas	7A	Mr S Mulligan
Computing	Amy Walsh	9W	Mr S Mulligan
Computing	Lottie Wells	9W	Mr S Mulligan
Computing	Lucy Wilkinson	9W	Mr S Mulligan
D&T Textiles	Anna Atkinson	11NP	Mrs B Fleming
D&T Textiles	Natalie Bunn	9A	Mrs B Fleming
D&T Textiles	Isabel-Rose Cottrell	9A	Mrs B Fleming
D&T Textiles	Olivia Gronow	11MC	Mrs B Fleming
D&T Textiles	Jenny Gutteridge	11JC	Mrs B Fleming
D&T Textiles	Meera Hall	9F	Mrs B Fleming
D&T Textiles	Isobelle Howell	8F	Mrs B Fleming
D&T Textiles	Ellie Hipworth	11JC	Mrs B Fleming
D&T Textiles	Evelyn Munro	11MLM	Mrs B Fleming
D&T Textiles	Jenifer Myers	11MLM	Mrs B Fleming
D&T Textiles	Heidi Smith	11MLM	Mrs B Fleming
D&T Textiles	Elizabeth Wakefield	9W	Mrs B Fleming
D&T Textiles	Millie Watson-Smith	9W	Mrs B Fleming
D&T Textiles	Edie Wicks	11MC	Mrs B Fleming
English	Rachael Alridge	7A	Miss G Walters
English	Jasmine Bish	8W	Miss G Walters
English	Ella Maione	8A	Miss G Walters
English	Amelie Pugh	7L	Miss G Walters
Food	Amy Hazelwood	11JC	Mrs J Pankhurst
Form	Mia Owen	8L	Ms A Natley
French	Lily Jones	7F	Miss A Beckett
French	Hannah Kirsopp	7F	Miss A Beckett
French	Georgina McKeon	10F	Miss A Beckett
Geography	Evie Bee	13A	Miss S Chant
Geography	Hilal Gibson	11KG	Mrs S Livingstone
Geography	Jenny Gutteridge	11JC	Mrs S Livingstone
Geography	Amy Hazelwood	11JC	Miss S Chant
Geography	Ellie Hipworth	11JC	Miss S Chant
German	Ella Lakin	9L	Mr L Rooke
Maths	Kaitlin Cartwright	10A	Mrs G White
Maths	Libby Cawsey	10A	Mrs G White
Maths	Ruth Fuller	10F	Mrs G White
Maths	Georgiana Hammond	10F	Mrs G White
Pastoral	Meredith Rutland	7L	Mrs J Pankhurst
School Council	Jersey Case	8A	Mrs D Collett
School Council	Becky Creedon	8A	Mrs D Collett
School Council	Emily Dunham	13F	Mrs D Collett
School Council	Hannah Middleton	8L	Mrs D Collett
School Council	Ava Newell	10L	Mrs D Collett
School Council	Florence Phillipson	13F	Mrs D Collett
School Council	Isabel Picken	7L	Mrs D Collett
School Council	Natasha Priestley	7L	Mrs D Collett
School Council	Charlie Scott	10L	Mrs D Collett
School Council	Stevie Scott	10L	Mrs D Collett
School Council	Lucie Swan-Dennis	12F	Mrs D Collett
School Council	Kathryn Thomas	13A	Mrs D Collett
School Council	Maisie Wilkinson	8W	Mrs D Collett