

# Dodderhill Independent Girls

#### **Dear Parents**

I started my Christmas letter talking about the wintery scene out of my window and as I start writing my Easter letter, I can see a very similar sight – I cannot remember the last time we had quite so much snow!

## **Grade Cards**

I am pleased to hear about the progress that all the Senior girls have made this term and you will be able to see evidence of this on your daughter's Grade Card. Due to Miss Cassidy's absence there are not any PE grades this time. As you have had the opportunity to speak to your daughter's teachers at parents evening this term, there are only Effort and Attainment Grades on the Easter Grade Card. If you have any queries or concerns, as always, please contact myself, or your daughter's form tutor.

## Senior News

Year 11 have very little time left in school now and most are starting to feel a mixture of excitement and trepidation as the reality of leaving Dodderhill for pastures new is really hitting home. I trust that they will use the Easter holiday wisely to ensure that they are on track with their revision, so that they are fully prepared for their exams that start in the middle of May. I do hope that all Year 11 parents will be able to attend our Leavers' assembly at 10.15 on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> May – bring your tissues!

I would also like to take this opportunity to congratulate the Year 11 netball team on reaching the semi-finals of the National ISA netball earlier this month – a fitting way to end their netball career at Dodderhill – well done girls!



This year's Year 10 D of E group have now successfully survived their first day hike, a little later than planned due to snow and they were lucky that this time, although it was bitterly cold, the snow waited until later that day to arrive. The highlight of the outing seemed to be Mr Griffin rescuing a sheep! Year 10 have continued to impress their teachers with their hard work and effort, well done girls!





Year 9 have also maintained their excellent start to the year and have now all made their choices for GCSE.

I would like to congratulate Sophia Morgan-Adams, Holly Styler and Rebecca Newland who braved the ISA Midland Cross Country Championships this term and Connie Gould who completed in a Triathlon event; Connie finished in the top half, which is very impressive since she competes in the 16 to 25 age category – well done to you all!

Something new for this term was Droitwich Dance Fest, a morning of dance held at Droitwich Spa High School, which was enjoyed by Emily Williams, Rani Reynolds and Connie Bishop from the Senior Section as well as some of our Prep girls.



#### Tweets!

I hope that you are following the school on Twitter. You will see regular D of E and sporting updates amongst a myriad of other activities and events that Dodderhill have been busy doing.

#### <u>Music</u>

I am looking forward to seeing many of you at our end of term concert on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> at 7pm which will provide a showcase for our choirs and soloists. I am sure the girls will excel on their music tour to Lake Garda and Verona during the break.

Have a restful Easter and I look forward to seeing you all next term.

Kind regards

Mrs Cartwright

# DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Dates for your Diary Year 11 class photo Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> May Year 11 leave Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> May 1pm Year 11 GCSE exams start Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> May Year 9 and 10 Exams start Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> May ISA Athletics Alexander Stadium Monday 21<sup>st</sup> May Half Term Monday 28<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> June Senior School Recital Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> June Art and Textiles Private view Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> July Senior School trip Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July Sports Day Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> July