Dear Parents and Guardians
As someone who has expressed an interest in Oakham School I am delighted to share our new e-newsletter with you - to keep you up-to-date with some of the exciting events and activities that have taken place at Oakham over this last term. We are incredibly fortunate that our students’ achievements and accolades are, sometimes it seems, non-stop! Collected below are a collection of just some of the key highlights of the Winter term - I do hope that you enjoy reading about them and in doing so, getting to know more what makes Oakham so very special. If you don’t already do so already, you can always keep up to date with our news, as it happens, via our website or Twitter and Instagram feeds. I wish you all a very peaceful Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Crista Cullen Opens our new Astro, named in her honour.

Oakham becomes a member of BSA Boarding Orchard initiative

Lego Education & Alumni help students build on TeenTech success.

Oakham Arts News

Music
It's been a bumper term for Music, including 12 varied lunchtime recitals and a dynamic Autumn Concert in early November focused on Remembrance. Further evening performances have included the chance to hear our Ensemble in Concert and Lower School Live in Concert, as well as the superb visiting professional musicians from Classico Latino and the Sinfonia Viva who featured an OO soloist. Two excellent Christmas Carol Services in Peterborough Cathedral completed the term.

Drama
The ‘spirit’ of Christmas was truly brought to life in A Christmas Carol – through one of the most technically impressive productions ever seen at Oakham. Holographic projections accompanied a 10ft high puppet and outstanding acting. Yet more accomplished performances were seen in the Middle School Scholars’ Production of Chekhov Shorts and our inaugural Shakespeare Monologue Competition where Soliloquies and Sonnets were adeptly brought to life.

Art
It’s been busy term for the Art Department, with our new Director of Art, and Artist in Residence, both ‘making their mark’ by inspiring students and staff! Trips have been a particular highlight – with artists exploring the Lowry in Manchester, and textiles students being ‘wowed’ by Sir Paul Smith. It’s also been wonderful to see our artists collaborate with Harington School students – hosting a joint exhibition in the Wheelhouse Gallery for all to enjoy.
Upper School geographers visited the Kingdom of Morocco, travelling between Tangier to Marrakech, they experienced different climates, cultures and traditions. Read more [here](#).

Read our [blog](#) of students enjoying their diving experience in the Dominican Republic.

18 Linguists spent five days discovering [Munich](#) and experiencing German culture.
Students across the School have successfully earned a variety of accolades. Highlights include:

- An Oakhamian is the first student to be awarded a **Gold International Global Citizenship Award** in the UK.
- Nearly **£17,000** has been raised for good causes.
- 22 Maths students were awarded certificates in this year's **Senior Maths Challenge**.
- 86 students & OOs achieved their Duke of Edinburgh Awards.

To read more, click [here](#) for a full list of pupil achievements.

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### Dates for your Diary

- **7 Jan**: Term Begins
- **2 February 2019**: Middle School Open Morning
- **2 March 2019**: Lower School Open Morning
- **8 March 2019**: Music in the Chapel
- **29 March 2019**: Term Ends

To see a full list of upcoming Open Mornings and to reserve your place, please click [here](#).