



From: Dr C Burnand and Mr A Jamison

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To Parents of All Scholars,

### **Scholars' Events in the Lent Term**

We are writing to the parents of all scholars to draw attention to the dates of the Roysse Society meetings this term, one of which is also the occasion of the annual dinner.

We have two main events and I would be very grateful if you could make sure that you get these dates in your diaries now so that your son is free and able to come to both. As ever, as parents, you are very welcome to come along to these talks as well.

Monday 11 February at 6.15pm is the first talk, which will take place in the Amey Theatre. Tony Edwards (OA) will be speaking on the subject of 'The Coventry Blitz, Sinking of the Tirpitz and Reconciliation'. Tony has a passionate interest in preserving the memory of the Second World War, but he is also a past president of the Royal Aeronautical Society and has previously spoken to the scholars about R. J. Mitchell, the designer of the Spitfire.

This talk will take place in the Amey Theatre at 6.15pm and finish at about 7.30pm. There will follow the annual scholars' dinner in the Dining Hall. Although as parents you are very welcome to this talk, I am afraid that only boys are invited to the dinner this term; we hope that as many of them as possible will be able to come along. There will be no charge, but I will be emailing you in the next couple of weeks to ask permission for your son to attend the dinner.

The second event will be on Wednesday 20 March. Commander Tony Long will be speaking about his conservation work as CEO of Global Fishing Watch protecting marine resources and promoting biodiversity across the world. Prior to his work in the charitable and NGO sector Tony was a Commander in the Royal Navy, in which he served for 27 years. This talk will begin at 5.30pm in the Amey Theatre, and will be over at 6.30pm.

On Tuesday 26 March, as parents of the third year academic scholars will already be aware, Mr Jamison is organising a trip to the Historic Dockyard at Portsmouth, which we hope will generate some interesting responses from the boys just as last last term's trip to Oxford did for the fifth years in the form of the impressive newsletter which they produced. If you missed it before Christmas, a link to the Middle School Scholars' newsletter can be found on the front page of this week's mailing.

As ever, we very much welcome further suggestions for speakers for the future, and please do not hesitate to get in touch if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely

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