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From : Master of Scholars: Dr Chris Burnand

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To parents

Scholars' Events

Since the summer is the busy exam term, there is, as usual, less organised for scholars. In fact there is only one big Roysse event for everybody, which is a talk by Professor Ian Shipsey.

This will take place on Thursday 11 May (5.30pm: Charles Maude Room), as it says in the calendar. Ian Shipsey is Professor of Experimental Physics at the University of Oxford. He is an experimental particle physicist and his particular focuses of study are quarks and the Higgs Boson, as well as the search for dark matter and the study of dark energy. Professor Shipsey is also profoundly deaf, and he is coming to talk to the title: 'Bionic Hearing: the Science and the Experience', on which he is uniquely qualified given what he calls 'the miracle of a cochlear implant' restoring his hearing.

The talk will be over by 6.30pm and is compulsory for all scholars except those in the fifth year (who will already be on study leave), though they are most welcome to come along as well for what should be a fascinating topic. Parents are also welcome, but given that we are going to be in the slightly smaller CMR, it would be useful if you could let me know in advance if you plan to come.

Mr Hallinan will be in touch shortly about the trip for the fourth-year academic scholars to Portsmouth on Friday 19 May.

We continue to be very grateful for any suggestions for good speakers: if anyone has further names/contacts for next year please do get in touch with one of us.

Yours sincerely

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