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Dear Parents

Partners in Excellence (PiXL)

Cardinal Heenan has just become part of Partners in Excellence (PiXL), a national network of over 1,500 secondary schools and 550 post-16 providers. PiXL provides online resources to support the promotion of excellence for pupils in our school. It also offers training opportunities, development programmes and collaborative activities for teachers and school leaders. The PiXL network supports our determination to do all we can to help improve the life chances of our pupils. There is a great deal of evidence to indicate that PiXL helps to improve educational achievement and to enhance pupils' self-esteem, connecting them to worthy progression routes in the next stage of their education. All our Year 11 pupils now have free access to two PiXL apps for smartphone and tablet (GCSE mathematics and GCSE English Literature) to help them identify their strengths and areas to develop in these subjects. Users of the apps report improved examination skills. Details have been given to pupils by their teachers. Please encourage your child to make use of these excellent resources.

Half Term Ski Trip to Sestriere, Italy

A group of pupils and staff are making final preparations for their Ski Trip to Sestriere, Italy, at half term. We remind pupils involved and their parents that departure will be from St Urban's car park, Tongue Lane, at 2.30pm prompt on Saturday 11 February. Please arrive no later than 2.00pm. The group expects to return to St Urban's car park at approximately 8:00 pm on Saturday 18th February. The time is subject to change, depending on possible delays at Manchester airport and traffic conditions on the journey back to Leeds. An important letter to parents of pupils involved was sent home today.

Information about the 2018 ski trip will be available in March.

Dates for the Diary

Tuesday 7 February	Year 11 Poetry Live, Leeds Town Hall
Friday 10 February	School Closes for Half Term. Buses depart at 3.25pm.
Saturday 11 February	Ski Trip (until Saturday 18)
Monday 20 February	Staff Training Day: no school for pupils
Tuesday 21 February	School re-opens to all pupils at 8.55am. Deadline for return of completed Year 8 option forms

Yours sincerely

E A Cox
Headteacher

