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OUTSTANDING CAMBRIDGE LEARNER AWARDS 2011

Dear Parents,

We have just received some excellent news that we wish to share with you. Following on from the very good summer external examinations results, Cambridge has just published their list of pupils and schools which have been awarded the **Outstanding Cambridge Learner Awards**, which recognize the highest marks in the world and Spain at IGCSE, AS and A level. Last year we informed you that we had received 9 awards, coming second in Spain out of all the international schools that enter candidates for Cambridge International Examinations.

This year we have come **first equal**, obtaining **7 awards** at all levels, out of 71 awards given. 27 out of the over 120 schools who enter pupils with Cambridge obtained awards. We tied first with two much larger schools in Valencia and Las Palmas. We are therefore first equal in Spain and first in Madrid.

The names of our pupils and the subjects are shown below. As you can see, one of our pupils, María Alonso Fernández De Toro, obtained 3 awards in three of the five A levels she took. She obtained 5 AS 'A' grades (an A grade being the top mark at AS) and one A* grade).

We congratulate these pupils, their teachers, and all the other pupils and members of the school community who all play an active part in this success.

Well done, parents too!!

	Subject	Name	Category
IGCSE	Economics	Pablo Martín Sequi	Top in Spain
AS Level	Business Studies	María Alonso Fernández De Toro	Top in Spain
	General Paper	Laura Mañas Arana	Top in Spain
	History	Emilie Andress Fernandini	Top in Spain
	Literature in English	María Alonso Fernández De Toro	Top in Spain
	Mathematics	María Alonso Fernández De Toro	Top in Spain
A LEVEL	Mathematics	Cristina Pérez López	Top in Spain

Parents Evenings:

Please note the calendar dates for the Parents' Evenings: Thursday 10th of November for KS3 and Tuesday 15th November for KS4 and 5.

Reports will be given to you on Friday 4th of November. We hope to include the KS3 National Curriculum levels in most subjects: you will see the level your son/daughter has at present and what they should be at.

Medical Check ups will take place after half term.

Inter-schools cross country: on the 8th of November.

British Universities Fair at the British Council in Martinez Campos on the 15th of November for Y12 pupils.

KS3 and Y10 internal exams: Wednesday 30th November to Friday 3rd December

Advance Notice: December (Some details to be confirmed)

Y11-13 Geography Trip to Mallorca and ecological issues/sustainable tourism Inter-schools conference: Thursday 1st to Saturday 3rd December. (A letter with more details will be sent shortly)

International Evening and end of term disco: Thursday 15th of December, 6 p.m. This will be the ISM 40th Anniversary celebration for pupils, and parents are invited to bring foods from different countries, country displays, etc. Food will be sold and benefits to a Charity chosen by the pupils. More details later. Christmas **Disco** 7.30 p.m. to 10.30 p.m.

End of Term Ice-skating and bowling outing: Monday 19th December.

Tuesday 20th: **Christmas Mass** (to be confirmed) and at 8 p.m., **40TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION FOR OLD PUPILS AND TEACHERS.** Old pupils should ask the school for details or write to rafaelmialdea40anniversary@gmail.com , sending in their details, whether they will attend, and anecdotes/comments.

Kind regards,

Mike Wickham
Head of Secondary