

25th May 2018



"We Can and We Will"

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We have further opportunities to experience world class sporting events in Atherstone this year:

- Event 1 On the 15<sup>th</sup> June the OVO Women's cycling tour, part of the UCI Women's world tour, is returning to Atherstone following the successful stage starts for the last two years.
- Event 2 On the 5<sup>th</sup> September the OVO Men's cycling tour, part of the UCI Men's world tour will be starting in Nuneaton and travelling through Atherstone for the first time.

Both tours will host some of the best known cyclists from around the world and are hugely important for our community. With national and local press present in Atherstone the local council have asked us to support the town and the events. We believe the positive outcomes of this, seeing first hand a major British sporting pastime at its best, meets our responsibility to deliver an element of British values as part of our wider curriculum.

**Event 1** - Students from years 7 to 10 will be given the opportunity to witness and support this event. Students will be escorted to the intersection of Witherley Road and North Street, (opposite the old upper school site) towards the end of period 1. Students will be out for a short time to watch the beginning of the race as it passes the school and will then return to lessons during period 2.

**Event 2** - All students will be given the opportunity to witness and support this event. Students will be escorted to the layby opposite the school on the Witherley Road towards the end of period 1. Students will be out for a short time to watch the race as it passes the school and will then return to tutor group during period 2.

Any photographs taken by staff and used for school purposes (TQEA social media, website, newsletters etc.) will be vetted under our school's student photograph permissions data, however any photos, or video, taken by the media or other Atherstone linked organisations may be published widely as it is a public event. Please ensure that all students have an appropriate waterproof coat and sun cream in case of changeable weather on each day.

We aim to take all students out to see and support both events, however, **if you do not wish for your son/ daughter to be involved**, please contact the school on 01827 712477 and speak to a member of staff, or call in to see us at reception, **no later than 4pm Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> June**. We will then make alternative arrangements for your child to be supervised in school during both occasions.

Yours sincerely

Mr D Watts Principal





