Dear Colleague,

I am delighted to provide further information about Building Character, a one-day International Boys’ Schools Coalition conference on Thursday, 14 March at Harrow School.

The event will begin promptly at 10.15 am and conclude by 3.45 pm. The registration form, along with payment instructions, is attached. Any enquiries should be directed to morganavj@harr school.org.uk. Other senior staff, as well as Heads, are encouraged to attend.

In the morning, the guest speaker will be Professor James Arthur of the University of Birmingham, where he is Head of the School of Education and Professor of Education and Civic Engagement. He is the Director of the new Jubilee Centre for Character and Values. Professor Arthur will speak about the importance of character education in our schools, and the contribution this makes to society.

Following his presentation, we will hold a panel discussion led by Head Masters from a range of schools. After lunch there will be workshops, including sessions on leadership and mentoring programs, the role of sport and the arts in character development, initiatives in the formal curriculum, mental health and well-being, and fostering positive relationships that discourage bullying.

The registration fee is £70 per person for IBSC member schools, and £110 for non-members. For information about the IBSC and membership, see www.theibsc.org, or contact the Executive Director at adams@theibsc.org.

I look forward to welcoming you to Harrow on 14th March.

Yours sincerely

Jim Hawkins
Head Master