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Dear Parents,

Happy New Year!

Last Wednesday (7th January) The Mayor of Barnet and his wife, Mr Hugh Raynor and Mrs Susan Raynor, attended our Year 10 Jack Petchey assembly. I have to stress that this was as a result of a special request by the Mayor and not as a result of an invitation by the school. I simply could not say no to his request as he was so passionate about his appreciation of a performance he had attended, undertaken by 8 of our Year 10 pupils, at the final of the Jack Petchey Glee Club Challenge at Queen Elizabeth Hall in December.



The Infinitones is an A cappella group, set up and run by the pupils themselves. The infinity sign in their logo can also be seen as the number 8 on its side, which represents all 8 of the groups diverse members. This year's Glee Club Challenge began in April 2014 when groups from all over London and Essex entered the competition. After sifting

through all the entries 29 regional finalists were chosen who were invited to specialist Glee “Boot Camps” where they received expert help from industry professionals. 12 groups were then chosen to perform in the final.



The Infinitones: Josephina Abuah, Oyemen Okekumatalor, Sonia Mekonnen, Amelia Reeks, Odera Ogbonna, Lucy Lam Yuk Wang, Grace Brimacombe-Rand, Shona Martin

They have been invited to perform at The Jack Petchey Foundation 15th anniversary celebration at the Theatre Royal Drury Lane in March.

I would like to convey my congratulations to the creativity and independence of mind to all members of The Infinitones.

Yours sincerely,

Julian Ward
Headmaster

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