Abraham Darby Academy "Playing with Pride" South African Rugby Tour



The Auction of Promises



Friday 8th July 6.30-9.00pm

Abraham Darby Academy Restaurant

NEE ENTRY– tickets must be

reserved beforehand

- * Licensed bar
- * Free Snack buffet



How to accept the invitation

We hope that as many members as possible of the Abraham Darby community will join us for this special event. Spaces are limited so please reply as soon as possible to will.bennett@taw.org.uk with your name and the number of tickets you would like to reserve. You can also contact Mr Bennett on the following telephone number: 01952 386009. Please note to gain entry, you must bring your ticket. Attendance to the evening is free with a complimentary glass of Prosecco and light snack buffet.

Invitation to the auction of promises for the SA South Africa Rugby

We would like to extend a very warm invitation to all members of the Abraham Darby community— staff, governors, parents, pupils (current and former) and friends of the school— to an auction of promises which will be held on Friday, 8th July at Abraham Darby Academy.

We have collected an extensive and impressive list of promises—those that will educate and inform, entertain and thrill, and more than satisfy the senses of taste, touch, sight, smell and hearing. They will all, we are sure, leave special and enduring memories for the winners.

We are extremely grateful to all those individuals, families and companies who have donated promises in such a generous and enthusiastic way.

What the money raised will be used for:

2017 ADA 'Playing With Pride' South African Rugby Tour

Woking with the teachers, parents and governors, the pupils have set themselves a target of £20,000 to fund a life-changing sporting trip to one of the Southern Hemisphere's hotbeds of rugby: South Africa.

For two years, a squad of 24 players from Year 11 will be learning and implementing new business skills alongside their rugby training as they lead the efforts to turn a dream into reality.

Rugby is being used as a vehicle to raise aspirations and academic results within the Academy. The success of the rugby teams is infectious and the players are fast becoming role models for other pupils.

In addition to playing rugby, the planned trip to South Africa will offer pupils other potentially life-changing challenges such as going on safari and shark diving. The trip has huge potential to increase aspirations, expose young people to a different culture and widen their perspectives. For most, it will be a life-changing event.

A successful trip to South Africa in 2017 will change many young people's lives. To help fund the trip in any way possible, you can visit www.youcaring.com and search ADA South African tour. Alternatively, follow us on twitter @SAtour 2017.

Programme:

6.30 Prosecco reception in the Restaurant

7.00 Welcome by Lee Hadley, Principal of ADA

7.05 Auction to start

7.45 Interval

8.15 Auction continues

9.00 End of Auction

A cold buffet will be served throughout the evening, with a cash bar.



How will the auction work?

The catalogue lists all the promises to be auctioned on the night. On arrival you will receive your unique bidding number. You will also fill in your name and contact details in relation to your unique number.

How to make a bid:

- The auctioneer will announce the lot number and begin the bidding at the reserve price
- To make a bid, simply hold up your number so that it is clearly visible (the number will be given to you on arrival)
- If someone outbids you and you wish to raise your bid, you will need to hold up your catalogue and show your bidding number again.
- Bids have also been made on the 'Auction of Promises' website.

If you win the bidding:

- When the bidding has stopped, the auctioneer will announce the final price bid (purchase price) and the winning bidder's number.
- A runner will come to you with a bidding slip. This slip will record your bidding number, the lot number and purchase price.
- The runner will write your name on the slip and ask you to sign it.
- Signing the slip confirms your agreement to pay the stated purchase price for your 'promise'.

Paying for your promise:

- Payments can be made in cash or cheque
- Please make cheques payable to 'Abraham Darby Academy'
- All promises must be paid in full on the night of the auction
- To pay for your promise, simply bring your signed slip(s) to the cashier's desk any time during the evening.
- The cashiers may be very busy at the end of the auction so it is recommended that you make your payment as early in the evening as you can (preferably after the bid) or during the interval
- Upon payment, the cashier will hand you an envelope containing the donor's name, contact details, or vouchers, or purchased objects as appropriate.

Lot description

1. Moore's



£20 voucher to spend at A+B fruits (Moore's) on fruit and vegetables

2. Cineworld



Two adults and two children 2D cinema tickets, including two large drinks or a large popcorn.

3. Jane field



Based in Telford, Jane can produce a choice of your own personalised framed print. It can be generic or specifically made for the auction winner.

4. Stitches of Bridgnorth



Customised Onesie. Choose your own colour and embroidery.

5. Stiches of Bridgnorth



Soft-shell jacket. Stiches' top of the range best selling coat. Wind stop inner zip flat. Comfortable active fit

6. Worcester Warriors



Two tickets to any home Worcester Warriors' game as soon as the fixtures have been announced.

7. Chris Ruston



Chris Ruston is the master drummer at Abraham Darby Academy. Chris is offering a one hour introductory drum session at the Academy.

8. Miss Hutton



Miss Hutton is a keen baker! She has pledged one cake a month for six months. Please discuss with Miss Hutton beforehand about the type of cake you would like.

Lot description

9. Catering Academy



Does your son or daughter have school dinners? 1 week's lunch donation from Catering Academy at Abraham Darby Academy.

10. Cineworld



Two adult and two children 2D cinema tickets, including two large drinks or a large popcorn.

11. Lucy Duggan



You may choose to commission a painting of a loved one or pet. Alternatively, you may wish to have a non-specific picture of another animal, a stag perhaps?

12. Julia Plant



Going away to France or Spain over the summer? Need to brush up on the local lingo? Mrs Plant is offering 3 hours of holiday lingo training.

13. Joanna Garvey



An amazing traditional BBQ meal for 4-6 people, delivered on a Saturday or Sunday in the Telford area. Everything is homemade from traditional recipes. Example dishes: Pulled pork or beef brisket as a main, with cheese, coleslaw, baked beans, jalapeno cornbread. Key lime pie to finish.

14. Telford Wonderland



Boasting a selection of activities for the kids, the promise is offering a 5 person pass—adults or children, excluding Christmas or Halloween.

15. Chris Ruston



A family photo shoot in an area of your choice. Includes the electronic copies of all shots plus one print out of a picture of your choice. Chris is a qualified photographer who regularly films weddings.

16. Mr Hadley



Ever wondered what it is like being a headteacher for the day? Want to make some important decisions at the school? Here is your chance. Follow Mr Hadley and make some important decisions for the day.

Lot description

17. Ross Bennett



Roast beef or chicken roast dinner for 4–6 people, in and around the Telford and Wrekin area. The roast dinner will be delivered to your doorstep on a Sunday of your choice.

18. The Mystery Box



What is in the box? How much do you dare to bid!

19. Rays Farm CountryMatters



Valid until 1st March 2017. This ticket admits two adults and up to four children. Not valid bank holidays. Rays farm boasts a variety of activities including woodland walks, play areas and a selection of animals: deer, sheep, Shetland ponies, llama and alpacas, micro pigs and over 25 owls.

20. Hannah Cooper



Hannah Cooper is an experienced hairdresser of 15 years. Hannah is offering a cut and colour in and around the Telford and Wrekin area.

21. Worcester Warriors



Two home tickets to a game of your choice. You will need to advise on the game of your choice once the fixture list is announced.

22. Attingham Park



Built for Lord Berwick in 1785, Attingham Hall and its beautiful parkland were owned by the family for more than 160 years. The promise entitles up to two adults and three children free admission to Attingham Park, walled garden, playfield and mansion.

23. Catering Academy



Claire from the Catering Academy has years of experience in decorating cakes. Design your own 8 inch celebration cake.

INTERVAL

Lot description

24. RAF Cosford open

Cockpit event



Just 300 tickets will be available for this exclusive event where a wide range of aircraft will be available for close viewing on the night; including transport aircraft and jet fighters. Two tickets provided.

25. The Mystery Box



What is in the box? How much do you dare to bid!

26. Gloucester Rugby



Two tickets to any Gloucester home premiership game of your choice. 6 weeks' notice must be given. Don't miss this opportunity to witness the best crowd atmosphere in the premiership.

27 Ann O'Brien



Ann O'Brien's mystery mix of booze. No White lightning in this box! £30 should be a good starting bid...

28. Rhys Crane



Fancy spending a day like a professional rugby player? Currently plying his trade at Ealing, he has played for Bath, Sale, London Welsh and England 7s. Your day will consist of a 1-1 training session, nutritional advice, gym session in a professional gym, followed by a rugby player dinner. Must be aged over 14 and be flexible with dates to fit around when Rhys can do the session.

28. Church Stretton Golf
Course



Two tickets to the 3rd highest golf course in the country. Church Stretton is quite simply unique. Its 18 holes sit atop the stunning Shropshire hills—an area of outstanding natural beauty—and its panoramic views are considered some of the finest in England.

29. Golden Ball Inn



The Golden Ball is Ironbridge's oldest Inn and sources food from local suppliers in order to maintain a fresh and inspiring seasonal menu. The promise includes two main courses and a bottle of house wine.

Lot description

30. Family photoSession



A family photo shoot in and around the area of Telford. Please provide details on the location of the shoot you would like. Fully qualified photographer. Will include electronic copies of the shoot.

31. Harlequins Rugby



A signed Harlequins' rugby ball with the 2016 squad signatures.

32. Mrs Bull



Fed up of buying all that stationery equipment? Save a bob or two on the this stationery hamper, with approximately £50 worth of stationery goodies.

33. Ironbridge gauge Museums



Pair of adult tickets that gives admission to all of the ten Ironbridge Gorge Museum Trust sites. Includes all of the following: Blists Hill's Victorian town, Enginuity, china museum, Darby House and many more.

34. The Place Telford



2 tickets to Snow White at The Place, Telford. (Thursday 6 October at 7.00pm)

35. Will writing serviceMr Knowles



A professional will writing service. Will drawn up by a qualified will writer and delivered by hand to the winner's home following an initial meeting with the winner. All meetings take place by agreed venue and time.

36. David Austin Roses



A £50 gift card from the world renowned David Austin Roses.

Lot description

37. The Woodbridge Inn



Voted the 5th best restaurant in Telford. This promise includes a two course meal for two, at the Woodbridge Inn.

38. Leisure Centre

aspirations

Teflord and Wrekin based gym Aspirations have donated a 12 month gym membership. We have seven fully equipped fitness suites with state-of-the -art gym equipment consisting of a wide variety of cardio and resistance machines. Our friendly staff are always on hand to provide you with the support and guidance you may need. Save over £300!

39. ESPA products



ESPA are a world renowned skincare company. They specialise in natural skin care products. Don't miss your chance to bid on this skincare hamper!

40. Corinthia Hotel



Situated in the heart of London, by the Thames. The Corinthia is one of the most exclusive 5* Hotels in London. This two person SPA pass package allows you full use of the spa facilities, including access to the gym and thermal floor boasting a shimmering silver pool, vitality pool, amphitheatre sauna, steam room, ice fountain, relaxation areas and showers.

41. Ironbridge Camping



Irongorge camping is a small campsite set on a 14 acre smallholding with views over the Wrekin Hill, all within a mile of the world famous Ironbridge in Shropshire. Whether you enjoy history, cycling, fishing, canoeing, walking or just taking it easy, this is the perfect getaway. Your promise is for two nights glamping in a family POD. Sleeps up to 2 adults and 2 children.

42. Russell Bourne—8 hours of plumbing



Some plumbing issues? A full day's work from Russell. Job must be clarified with Russell once promise has been paid for. Does not include the cost of materials or other external factors. You are bidding for 8 hours worth of labour from a qualified plumber.

43. Will Greenwood



Lot description

A signed England rugby shirt by World Cup winning rugby celebrity, Will Greenwood . 100% genuine.

44. RESPOL



Is your garage floor in need of re-flooring? Look no further as RESPOL flooring contractors will re-floor a single garage. Normal cost is around £500. Contact Stewart Turley for more detailed specifications.

45. Walton Hall



Bed and breakfast for 2 people staying at Walton Hall for 2 nights. Located in a grade 2 listed hall this 4* hotel boasts free WI-FI and a spa with relaxing treatment rooms, swimming pool and gym. The hotel consists of 149 standard bedrooms with a further 37 superior rooms. It has ample parking and is in easy reach of Stratford Upon Avon and Oxford.

46. Anthony Joshua



Donated by Richie Woodhall, this 6-6 roll up poster boasts the signature of the world champion boxer, Anthony Joshua.

47. Richie Woodhall



The prize money cannot buy a special 1-1 training session with Richie Woodhall. Richie won a bronze medal at the 1988 Olympics and gold at the commonwealth games. He then went on to win the WBC super middleweight title. Your promise will consist of a 45min training session with the ex world champ. To take place at Abraham Darby Academy. Time to be arranged with Richie once bidding has finished.

48.



Mark Shervill is a PGA performance coach at the Shropshire golf centre. He has put together a year long package that would normally cost in excess of £1000. He will cover all aspects of the game including scoring strategies, techniques, mental preparation, short game, long game and all other aspects. This is a golfing prize that shouldn't be missed!

Disclaimer:

The sale will be subject to the following conditions:

- 1. All goods are sold as seen and no warranties or guarantees are given on any item.
- 2. In all matters the Auctioneer's decision is final. He reserves the right to withdraw any lot for which no reasonable bid is made.
- 3. At the 'fall of the hammer', the goods become the responsibility of the successful bidder (purchaser).
- 4. The organisers accept no liability for any injury or loss, of whatever nature, which may result from the execution of the promises, nor do they give any warranty as to the quality or content of the promises. For avoidance of doubt, no contract will exist between the organisers and the successful bidders.
- 5. Any unsold items will be listed and kept available for six weeks.
- 6. If, for some genuine/unforeseen reason, a service cannot be discharged then a refund will be made.
- 7. Where appropriate, purchasers will be given a voucher for each lot purchased showing name and contact number for the donor whom they should contact to arrange for the promises to be fulfilled.
- 8. Unless otherwise stated, all promises must be taken up within 12 months.



Finally, a huge thank you to everyone who contributed towards the promises.

Thank you to all of you present tonight to make the event possible.

I hope you have an enjoyable time and come away with the promises of your choice!