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Dear Parents and Carers

As we approach the end of term I wanted to write to you to remind you of some of our end of term arrangements.

Firstly, thank you for your patience both on Tuesday 5 December and again this morning. It was necessary to have a later start to the academy day to ensure that enough staff could get on site for me to open safely. On Monday evening (4 December) the roads were dangerous, with a number of staff stranded and at least one unable to get home at all! Flood warnings remained in place on Tuesday morning, therefore we needed to open later to ensure everyone's safe arrival and the safe opening of the site. Your patience is much appreciated.

On Tuesday night we enjoyed our 'Winter Wonderland' concert. Thank you to those that attended. I hope you enjoyed the evening as much as I did.

Christmas Jumper Day/Christmas Dinner

On Friday 15 December we will be celebrating Christmas Jumper Day. On this day all students are invited to wear a Christmas jumper rather than a school jumper. Blazers are not required **IF** a student is wearing their Christmas jumper. All other uniform rules remain in place and if a student is not wearing a Christmas jumper they should be in full school uniform. We will be supporting two charities - students can bring in a cash donation for 'Save the Children' or bring a tin to donate to The Lord's Larder.

At lunchtime on Friday 15 December we will be hosting Christmas dinner. Each year group will have their Christmas dinner together in our newly decorated refectory, joined by staff.

Please note: there will be no other food available at break or lunch on 15 December and we are no longer taking bookings for Christmas Dinner.

To facilitate this end of term event the following timings are in place:

Lesson 3	11:30 - 12:00	Year 9
Lesson 4	12:00 - 12:30	Year 7
Lesson 4	12:30 - 1:00	Year 8
Lunch 1	1:00 - 1:30	Year 11
Lunch 2	1:30 - 2:00	Year 10

End of Term arrangements

We will finish for the holiday on Tuesday 19 December 2023. The end of the day will be staggered, as follows:

Headteacher: Mr M Lawrence BSc Hons.

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Year 11: leave at 12:10
Year 9: leave at 12:15
Year 10: leave at 12:20
Year 8: leave at 12:25
Year 7: leave at 12:30

If your child is entitled to Free School Meals, a packed lunch will be available to order. If you would like your child to have one, please complete the Google Form below. The deadline for ordering this is **Wednesday 13 December 2023**.

<https://forms.gle/G9FyesPnQMjcG7Ua6>

Celebration Assemblies

As usual at the end of term, we will be celebrating the successes of our students in our end of term assemblies. These will take place on Monday 18 and Tuesday 19 December.

Lessons on Monday and Tuesday will involve a number of activities linked to our House system and in keeping with the time of year.

Many thanks for all your continued support.

Yours sincerely



MR M LAWRENCE
Headteacher