

Monday, 18 December 2017

Dear Parent/Carer

As we near the Christmas holiday, I wanted to update you on upcoming key dates and events

#### **Arrangements for the end of term**

Our last day of term is **Friday 22 December** when we will close at **12:30**. During the course of this final week we will hold celebration assemblies, where the achievements of our students over the first term are recognised. Christmas lunch is on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December, students will be able to purchase a whole feast of festive food. Keep an eye on our website for full details.

#### **Christmas Jumper Day**

In supporting our charitable causes, on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December we held our Christmas Jumper day to support Save The Children. Students attended in full business dress on this day, but switched their jackets for a festive jumper.

#### **End of Term Newsletter**

We are in the process of creating an End of term Newsletter, which will contain pictures and narrative of many of the exciting activities that our students have taken place in during the first term. This will be coming home with students as we break up and it will also be published on our website.

#### **Staffing**

You may be aware that Mr Fell has been absent for much of this term, due to illness. He is going to be absent for the foreseeable future and for this reason our Governors have asked me to take on the role of Acting Principal. In January we have Miss Steed joining us, who is our new Subject Lead for Health and Social Care. I am sure you will all join us in welcoming her to the team.

#### **January 2018**

We reopen after the Christmas break as follows:

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2018 – Inset day (students are not required to attend on this day)

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2018 – All staff and students attend as normal with tutorial commencing at 8:30 am.

Term 2 will be a busy time for all our students, especially those in their exam year. Students in Years 11 and 13 will have completed mock exam papers by the end of this week and these papers will help direct both our students and staff in maximising students' potential.

I hope you all have a restful break and a successful New Year.

Yours faithfully



Mr J Harding  
Acting Principal