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Dear parents and carers

We are approaching the end of term so I thought you might appreciate some confirmation of key dates and events that are coming up:

Year 11 and Year 13 Mock Results Day

Today is mock results day, during which our Year 11 pupils and Year 13 students will be presented with the results from their first set of mock examinations that they sat a few weeks ago.

Each of them will be interviewed by a member of the senior leadership team to help them make sense of what went well, what they need to do to improve and how we can support them moving forwards.

Year 11 and Year 13 Reports and Progress Evening

Pupils in Year 11 and students in Year 13 will be given their reports for this term on **Wednesday 7 December.**

Year 11 and 13 Progress Evening will then take place on **Wednesday 7 December** from **4.30pm to 7pm**. If you have not yet booked your appointments on SchoolCloud, please do so before Wednesday.

Please remember that this is a face-to-face event taking place at the school site. If you are travelling to the school by car, please be respectful of our neighbours and their driveways. If possible, we would appreciate you parking on the school side of Robins Wood Road.

Reports for Other Year Groups

For pupils in other year groups yet to receive a report this term, they will be issued before we break up.

Matilda

Our annual musical is always one of the highlights of the year. This year our pupils are performing Matilda.

Tickets are now on sale via ParentPay.

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Performances take place on:

Wednesday 14 December, 7pm Thursday 15 December, 7pm Friday 16 December, 7pm Saturday 17 December, 2.30pm and 7pm

Christmas Dinner

We are serving Christmas dinner over two days this year.

Christmas dinner will be available to pupils in Years 7, 8 and 9 on Tuesday 13 December.

Christmas dinner will be available to pupils in **Years 10, 11 and the Sixth Form** on **Thursday 15 December**.

On each day, we will also be serving sandwiches, baked potatoes and pasta for pupils in other year groups and those that do not want a Christmas dinner.

Christmas Jumper Days

Pupils are invited to wear a Christmas jumper on **Tuesday 13 December** and/or **Thursday 15 December**. A 'fine' of £1 (to cover both days, payable on either day) will be donated to Save the Children.

BUILD Celebrations and Rewards Assemblies

On the last day of term each year group will have a rewards assembly to celebrate excellent attendance, effort and progress.

In addition, the pupils with the highest number of BUILD points this term will have a rewards treat. The top 15 in each year group will be invited to a silent disco in the hall on **Monday 19 December**.

End of Term

The last day of term for pupils is **Tuesday 20 December**. We will close at our usual time of 3.15pm.

Please note, this will NOT be a non-uniform day.

Spring Term

School reopens to all pupils on Thursday 5 January 2023 at the usual time of 8.45am.

Newsletter

This has been a long and busy term and pupils in every year group have been involved in all sorts of events and extra-curricular activities.

Please look out for our December newsletter to get a flavour of the things that have been going on.

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Wintry Weather

The forecast for later this week is for very cold weather. Please make sure your child is wearing a coat and suitable footwear. Hats and gloves are also encouraged for outdoor wear.

In the event of snow, please remind your children that, for health and safety reasons, we do not permit the throwing of snowballs. If conditions mean we need to shut the school site, we will announce this with as much notice as possible via email, SMS and on the school website. If this happens, lessons will run as per the normal timetable but on Teams.

Happy New Year

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support and wish you and your family a relaxing and enjoyable festive break and a healthy and happy 2023.

Yours faithfully

Mr D Tungate Principal











