



ASTLEY COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Carer

As we approach the festive period, I am writing to you with details of some of the key events in school over the next few weeks:

Wednesday 12 December – Christmas Lunch

Christmas lunch will be served in the main hall. As we have done in previous years, we have invited many elderly residents from the local community to join us for lunch and they will be entertained and looked after by our students.

Friday 14 December – Christmas Jumper Day

Non-uniform day - Theme “Christmas Jumpers”. We will be having a charity collection on this day for Save the Children and ask students to donate £1 if possible.

Wednesday 19 December 6-8pm – “The Magic of Musicals” (main hall)

Tickets are on sale from the finance office now priced £3.50 each or £12 for a family ticket. Please get your tickets early to avoid disappointment. We look forward to seeing you there!

Thursday 20 December – Chocolate Treats and Hamper Delivery Day

- Normal school day in school uniform.
- All students will receive hot chocolate and a chocolate bar at lunchtime in the dining hall.
- As usual we have been collecting non-perishable foods from students, which are then made up into hampers and they will be delivered by the Community group on this day. Any donations gratefully received.

Friday 21 December – Final Day of Term

- Non-uniform day - Free
- All year groups will have a Christmas assembly and a festive tutor period.
- At 12.00 pm students will be dismissed to begin the Christmas Holidays.
- As usual we expect the highest standards of behaviour from our students as they go home and they must not go to any of the other schools and cause a nuisance.

Free School Meals students need to see me if they require a meal on this day.

On another note, we are very sad to be saying goodbye to Miss Binney, Mrs Keenan, Mr Marshall and Mr Granton who are moving to new positions. We wish them all the very best for the future.

I would like to take this opportunity as usual to thank all the staff at the school for the brilliant job that they do and congratulate the students on their efforts this term. Thank you also to parents/carers for your ongoing support, it is much appreciated.

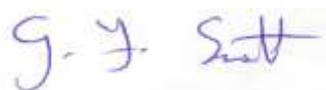
School will be closed until **Tuesday 8 January 2019** when we will re-open for all students.

Monday 7 January 2019 is a Teacher Training day.

Could I please ask all parents/carers to ensure that all students return to school smart and organised for the year ahead. This includes making sure that students are not in breach of our school's policies on uniform, piercings and hairstyles. I appreciate your support in maintaining our very high standards.

Finally, I would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and all the very best for 2019.

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "G. J. Scott". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underneath.

Graham Scott
Head of School