

Tuesday 29th November

Dear parents,

The Christmas holidays are coming very soon and we have a busy few weeks planned in school. Below I have shared some information and updates to guide you through the end of term.

1. Progress Day

Pupils have worked very hard in completing their end of term exams. Progress Day will take place on Thursday 15th December (will some appointments available on the afternoon of Wednesday 14th December).

To book your appointment with your child's form tutor, please get in touch with them either directly or by letting your child know your preferred times so that they can share them with their form tutor.

2. School Holidays

The Christmas holidays will begin at the end of the day on Thursday 15th December and the new term will begin on Wednesday 4th January.

As I have previously reminded all families, please do not take your children out of school or early for holidays or return late from holidays in the new year. All instances of absence due to holidays in term time will be referred to the local authority for fixed penalty notices (fines).

3. Non-uniform Day

Wednesday 14th December will be non-uniform day, with pupils encouraged to make donations that can be shared with the local foodbanks as we have done in previous years.

4. Sixth Form Applications

Applications for places in Year 12 next September remain open.

If you know of any families with children in Year 11 at another school who may be interested in joining our sixth form, please do encourage them to apply.

More information is available on our [website](#).

5. Useful Links

- [Term Dates](#)
- [Exam Boards](#)
- [Curriculum Maps](#)
- [Latest News](#)
- [Contact Us](#)

Kind regards,

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