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Dear Parent/Carer

As we approach the festive season, we are keen to give our students an enjoyable end to what has been another eventful year!

The site is already decorated for Christmas as we embrace the festive spirit, we have already launched our Christmas card competition and our winning entry has been selected to accompany messages from Children's Services. A huge thank you to B&Q for their Christmas tree donations.

Throughout the last two weeks of term, there will be a whole host of events and celebrations where students and staff can join in the festivities.

W/C Monday 1 December

- Christmas baking competition - You are challenged to bake a festive sweet or savoury dish that celebrates your Christmas traditions. Email n.king@wildern.org with a photograph and a short paragraph explaining your biscuits **by 18 December**.

Thursday 4 December

- Music Christmas Concert in the Berry Theatre

Saturday 6 December

- Christmas Quiz and Chips

Monday 8 December

- Christmas Dance Showcase in the Berry Theatre

Wednesday 10 December

- Year 7 Christmas Shop supported by Year 11 Prefects

Thursday 11 December

- Year 7 Disco supported by Year 11 Prefects
- Duke of Edinburgh Presentation Evening

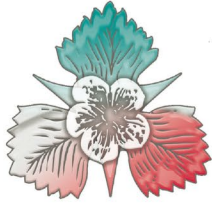
Friday 12 December

- Christmas Jumper Day (£1 donation to NSPCC)
Every year we support this charity which has over 100 years of experience helping children in times of need and throughout this pandemic they have supported thousands of children and families across the UK. Students can wear a Christmas jumper and hand in a £1 to their Tutor during registration
- Christmas Carol-oke

The last week of term

- Christmas themed assemblies begin
A time for us to celebrate individual and group successes across the school.
- Festive tutor time activities including making Christmas Cards for our local Care Homes. Our students have designed our beautiful cards ready to be sent with heartfelt messages.





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- Year 7 students will be making Christmas gifts for our local care homes with The Dart Centre Team.
- The Wildern Christmas Food Market
Each year our school hall becomes a Christmas food market for a day. This year to ensure we can run this event safely, it will take place across 4 days so that all Year Groups will have an opportunity to purchase their Christmas food from this event break 1 and break 2 on their allocated day. There will be hot chocolate, gingerbread men, mince pies, yule logs as well as roast beef, roast pork and much much more!

Christmas Food Market Days:

- **Monday 15 December - Year 11**
 - **Tuesday 16 December - Year 10**
 - **Wednesday 17 December - Year 9**
 - **Thursday 18 December - Year 7 and 8**
 - **Friday 19 December - Open to everyone in break 1**
- Food Bank collection
Our annual collection for the Southampton Mission and Hedge End Food Centre who support families in need during this festive period. Last year we donated 2982 items and we aim to beat this this year!
 - ★ **Monday 15 December - Year 7**
 - ★ **Tuesday 16 December - Year 8**
 - ★ **Wednesday 17 December - Year 10**
 - ★ **Thursday 18 December - Year 9**
 - ★ **Friday 19 December - Year 11**

Friday 19 December

- Pyjama day! Students can come into school in their pyjamas and give a £1 donation to [The Ollie Foundation](#).
- School will close for Christmas at 12.30pm

I am sure our staff will have many more exciting activities which will sprinkle a little joy into our lives as we move towards the end of term.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for all the support you have shown us during this term and wish you and your families a healthy and happy festive season.

Best wishes,

Miss H Jones
Deputy Headteacher

