HJJ/jr 6th December 2021

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. A huge thank you to B&Q and Hilliers 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.

Week commencing Monday 6th December

 We supported our Local Care Homes throughout the lockdown by sending letters and cards and will also be sending Christmas cards to spread some festive cheer. Some of our Year 7 students have volunteered to bake shortbread and mince pies with Chef Dan and Suzanne from the d.@rt Centre.

Monday 6th December

Music Christmas Concert in the Berry Theatre

Tuesday 7th December

Christmas shortbread and mince pies will be taken to our local Care homes

Wednesday 8th December

- Wildern Christmas Choir Performance at All Care LTD
- Students decorating plant pots to be given to Care Homes planted up with Spring bulbs

Friday 10th 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

The last week of term

- Christmas Celebration 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
- 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 5 days so that all Year Groups will have an opportunity to purchase their Christmas food from this event. 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

- Year 7 Friday 10th December
- Year 8 Monday 13th December
- Year 9 Tuesday 14th December
- Year 10 Wednesday 15th December
- Year 11 Thursday 16th December
- Food Bank collection

Our annual collection for the Southampton Mission and Hedge End Food Centre who support families in need during this festive period

- Monday 13th December Year 7
- Tuesday 14th December Year 11
- Wednesday 15th December Year 10
- Thursday 16th December Year 9
- Friday 17th December Year 8

Wednesday 15th December

Wildern Choir singing at the Winchester Christmas Market

Thursday 16th December

Wildern Christmas Choir Performance at Snowdrop Care Home

Friday 17th December

- Festive hats can be worn to mark the end of term
- School will close for Christmas at 1.30pm

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 Assistant Headteacher