

14 December 2023

Dear parents, guardians and carers

As the autumn term draws to a close I would like to thank all parents for your support with foodbank donations, attendance at Christmas events such as our carol services and concert.

On Friday 15 December, school will close at 12.30pm for the Christmas holiday. Please note the dining hall will be closed after break. This will be a **Christmas themed non-uniform day**. The suggested donation of £1 to the Friends of Poole High School will be made via a collection at front gate by senior staff. Thank you in advance. Please encourage students to accessorise their non-uniform with Christmas hats and festive colours.

Buses - Please note that the on-site school buses at 12.30pm will not be available, but buses will run as normal in the morning. Morebus has informed the school that students can board an M1 (or M2) Poole without any additional charge upon presentation of a ticket.

Driveway – The drive to school will be **closed** to vehicles on Friday 15 December from 12.20pm to 12.40pm.

Extreme weather

A reminder that in the unlikely event of school closure due to extreme weather conditions, a school text/email will be sent out to parents, a message will be placed on the school website, the school will notify the local authority (BCP) as well as local radio stations (Heart and Wave 105).

WisePay

We would like to take this opportunity to remind parents that we are a cashless site. Ties, pencil cases etc should be purchased via the Wisepay system. If you are having difficulties logging in, please email wisepay@poolehigh.poole.sch.uk for assistance.

Spring term

The spring term will begin at 8.25am on **Tuesday 2 January 2024**. Please ensure that your child arrives promptly to school each day, ready to start at 8.25am in full school uniform and has a fully equipped pencil case including a calculator.

Please ensure that your child is compliant with standard school policies on return to school in January, particularly with regards to haircuts, piercings, jewellery and accessories e.g. false nails/eyelashes.

As always, thank you for working with us and your commitment in making our community such a special place. We wish you all a peaceful Christmas.

Yours sincerely



Mr P Gray
Headteacher