



1st December 2021

Dear Families,

Firstly, I would like to start by saying how excellent it has been to welcome you all back in September. I would like to thank all pupils, staff and parent/carers for their support in embracing the return to education following a difficult time nationally.

I am writing to inform you of the arrangements for the end of term.

The Last Week of School

During the last 6 days of school there will be a number of Christmas related events taking place, they are as followed:

- Friday 10th December – Christmas Jumper Day
- Monday 13th December – Normal Day
- Tuesday 14th December – Christmas Dinner & Extended Activities
- Wednesday 15th December – Whole School Awards Ceremony
- Thursday 16th December – Rewards Trip (9:30am start)
- Friday 17th December – Open Morning and Advocacy Day

Boarding During the Last Week

The last boarding night for the term will be Wednesday 15th December 2021. If you have any questions relating to residential please do not hesitate to contact the Care Team.

Christmas Jumper Day

We will be supporting 'Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day' on the 10th December 2021. This will be a normal day at school but Staff and Pupils will be encouraged to wear a Christmas Jumper and donate where possible.

Whole School Awards Ceremony

Unfortunately, this year due to the ongoing concerns regarding the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, we are unable to invite families into the school for our annual whole school awards ceremony. This year, we will be holding the awards ceremony with pupils and staff only on the afternoon of the 15th December. We will aim to take photographs of the event to share with you.

Open Morning and Advocacy Day

Although we are unable to invite families into school for a group event we would like to provide the opportunity for families to attend the academy, speak to staff and view pupils work on Friday 17th of December. Families will be invited onsite from 11.30am until 12.45pm however, we will continue to monitor government and local guidance as well confirmed cases of COVID-19. Should this need to be postponed we will inform you as soon as possible.



Severe Weather

In the unfortunate event that we may have to close the academy due to severe weather conditions, the information will be posted on the academy website. <https://ramsdenhall.org.uk/> and also the Essex County Council website <https://www.essex.gov.uk/emergency-school-closures>. A school communication will be sent direct to you via email and text message.

We would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year. Please stay safe.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Emma Baker
Headteacher