



St Edmund Arrowsmith Catholic High School

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Dear Parents and Carers

As we approach the end of term there are several pieces of important information I would like to keep you up to date with. Last year we ranked in the top 30 schools nationally (5th in the North West) in The Sunday Times Top 2000 Schools' list and I am delighted to inform you that we have moved up a place to rank 28th this year. The spirit of community and common sense of purpose that exists in our school between pupils, parents, staff and governors is fantastic and to have our school recognised as one of the best in the region and nationally is testimony to what we are all striving to achieve.

To prepare us for Christmas we are holding our annual Carol Service at St Oswald's Church at 7.00pm on Wednesday 19th December, I would like to extend an invitation to all pupils, parents and extended family. It is a brilliant evening every year and I would be very grateful for your support.

This Friday afternoon, the 14th December we hold our annual Senior Citizens Party for each of our eight feeder parishes, always a lovely occasion.

Thank you to all the families who paid the annual Building Levy of £10.00 over the last couple of weeks, it is greatly appreciated. Can I remind you there is no provision within our school funding to pay the £10,000 to the Archdiocese for the Levy and therefore any shortfall in parental contributions will have to be taken from elsewhere within school funds and we would then have to make difficult decisions about what we cannot provide for your child. Therefore, I would urge all families who haven't paid their contribution this year to do so as soon as possible.

Term will end on Friday 21st December at 2.00pm, for arrangements of the school buses I will send you an email next week. School will re-open for pupils on Tuesday 8th January 2019. (Monday 7th January is an INSET day for staff)

On behalf of the staff, pupils and governors of the school I wish you all a very Happy and Holy Christmas.

Yours faithfully

M J Dumican
Headteacher

