



Wellfield Academy

Headteacher Mr J Lewis

9th December 2022

Dear Parent/ Guardian,

End of Term Arrangements

There is a lot to look forward to as we bring the term to a close so we write to provide more information before we finish for the Christmas holiday.

Thursday 15th December

Staff and students are encouraged to attend school wearing a Christmas jumper for the day. If students wish to do so, the jumper should be worn over the school shirt and they do not need to wear their blazer or tie for the day but must wear their normal school skirt/trousers and shoes. Full school uniform should be worn if students do not wish to attend wearing a jumper.

We are, however, mindful that Christmas jumpers can be expensive. As an alternative, students can join in the celebrations by attending school wearing different Christmas decorations. This can be a Christmas headband, tinsel attached to their wrists or baubles attached to a jumper they have decorated, for example. If you do have any Christmas jumpers that your child has now outgrown, please do donate them to us so we can reuse with some of our students. Our staff will also be showing off their Christmas jumpers on the day, too!

We will be taking £1 voluntary donations during tutor time for those wearing a jumper on the day which will obviously go to a good cause.

Our Christmas celebrations will continue throughout the day as we enjoy Christmas lunch. It is always a lovely time when we extend lunch time for staff and students to dine together (once staff have served up the food for the students!). Students can either pre-order Christmas lunch by completing the spreadsheet in tutor time or they may order a cold sandwich meal deal which can be ordered on the day via the usual lunch sheets in tutor time. For students who normally have a school lunch the cost of this year's Christmas lunch is £2.40 and payment is made in the usual way via school gateway ensuring funds are available. For those students who normally bring a packed lunch and wish to stay for a Christmas lunch we would ask parents to please make sure that the school lunch has been paid for via the school gateway.

Friday 16th December

The final day will include opportunities for reflection upon the successes during the term and celebrations together as a school community. Following our whole school end of term assembly which will include lots of rewards, students will be dismissed for their Christmas break from 12.30pm. Minibuses have been changed to accommodate this and we have also informed local bus companies.



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Rock FM- Cash for Kids

A reminder that we are supporting Rock FM's Cash for Kids Mission Christmas and therefore continuing to collect donations of new toys. If you are in a position where you are doing your Christmas shopping and can afford to purchase an extra gift to donate, please do so. Any donation needs to be unopened and unwrapped so that the Mission Christmas team can organise them into the appropriate age groups to ensure children across our area do not wake up on Christmas Day without a gift to open.

January 2023

A reminder that students return to school in January on Thursday 5th January, 8.40am, for the start of the Spring term.

We are mindful that, whilst Christmas is often a time of joy and happiness, it can also be a time of worry and stress for others particularly when considering the current cost of living crisis. During the next week or so, please do not hesitate to get in touch with us on enquiries@wellfieldacademy.org with any questions you may have or if we can support in any way.

Yours sincerely,

Mr J Lewis

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