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End-of-term arrangements 2023

Dear families

As we are approaching the end of term and the Christmas festive events, I wanted to update you on what is happening and when.

Firstly, several of the staff team are currently setting up a Christmas/parent committee, who along with our PTA will ensure we can have successful Christmas events and, in the future, will look at fund raising activities for the academy and charities. This will also be a platform for parents to support school and voice ideas to move the school forwards. The first meeting is on Wednesday November 29th at 2.30pm. Please speak to Mrs West if you are wanting to be part of this. Refreshments will be provided.

Coffee and crafts afternoon will go ahead on Wednesday 15th December 1.30pm to 3.00pm. This will be an opportunity for you to spend time with your child(ren) completing some Christmas crafts in school. Members of the Leadership team will start the afternoon off with a discussion prior to you heading to classrooms.

Hannah McKie, from Notts County behaviour support team, will be in school to support parents on Thursday December 14th at 10am. Hannah will be here to answer your questions around supporting your child. Refreshments will be available. She is also going to be running the Solihull parenting course in 2024, here at the academy, for those who want further support. This will be especially important if you or your child are experiencing any difficulties with behaviour.

Miss Bacon in Year 3 is still currently off school but should be returning after the Christmas holidays. I am sure you will all want to wish her a speedy recovery, as we miss her in the academy.

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The dates for all our festive activities are below. Please speak to the class teacher if you have any questions.

Event	Info	Year Group	¥
nn Term 2	First day back	All	
	National Space Centre	Year 5	
sk	Odd socks week	All	
Day	Non uniform	All	
	Brackenhurst	Year 6	
ools	Fundraiser	All	
t committee meeting	Xmas Fayre meeting	Committee only	
gle Jog	Sherwood Pines	Year 4	
	No School for children	All	
ness Day	Assembly and follow up tasks	All	
	Conkers - Winter Wonderland	EYFS	
r Day	Wear Christmas Jumpers	All	
rch (14:00 - 15:00)		Years 1, 2 & 3	
aviour support with Hannah McKie 10.00-11.00	Heritage	Form to be completed	21/
afternoon- Christmas crafts (13:30- 15:00)		All	
rch (14:00 - 15:00)		Years 4, 5 & 6	
		EYFS	
Newgate Lodge residential home (14:00-15:00)	Newgsate Lodge Nursing Home	Choir	
	Hall	All	
	Hall	All	
14:00 - 16:00)	Hall	All	
e Melissa Grace Hatton's Children's Trust	Hall	All	
nn Term 2 for Christmas Break	Last day of school	All	
g Term 1	First day back	All	
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I just wanted to update you all on my own health. I have had a few comments recently that I look tired and haven't been as visible on the gates to which I can only apologise. I wanted to inform you that I was diagnosed with Multiple Sclerosis (7 years ago now) and am taking medication for this but changes in weather and other factors can cause my health to change on a day-to-day basis. If I am not on the gate for this reason, I will normally be around the link corridor for you to speak to if necessary. As always, all the staff are here to talk. This term our children have been excellent, and we are overwhelmed by the positive attitude to learning they show on a daily basis.

I will see you all between now and the end of term and I hope you all have a great Christmas and thank you for your continued support. I hope you will join me in wishing all our staff, children and families at the Academy a very merry Christmas!

My next letter will be in 2024!

Yours sincerely

Mr D Jane Principal