

NSP/AEK

8 December 2021



Dear Parent/Carer,

As we approach the end of term I just wanted to write to thank you for the support you have given us since September. I am really proud of the way our students have adapted to school life post lockdown and have demonstrated maturity, resilience and responsibility in spades. The transition to normal school life and expectations has not been easy for all of us but we have worked together to ensure that we achieve our mission. It has been wonderful to see the efforts made by our students on their home learning projects throughout this term. Thank you for your support with this. There have been some wonderful Science, History and Geography projects that are now proudly displayed in our reception area. Large numbers of students have enjoyed access to our extra-curricular provision and this continues to grow.

### **Last day of term - Friday 17 December 2021**

School will finish at **1.30pm**. Year 9 and 11 students will have an earlier lunch starting at 1.00pm. Students have asked if we can host a Christmas Jumper Day in support of the Children's Hospital Charity. The last day of term will be a non-uniform day and I politely ask that students contribute £1 towards the above cause.

### **Return to school – January 2021**

We have been asked by the DfE to conduct a Covid-19 Lateral Flow test for all students with parental consent on their return in January. Therefore, Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> of January will be needed to test our students and this will take us the full day. Further information about testing will follow. Remote learning will be provided for all students via our home learning portal. This means that the new term will officially start on **Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> of January** where all students will be expected to attend as normal.

Please ensure your child returns to school fully equipped, including an age appropriate reading book, bag and in full uniform.

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a restful Christmas break and a Happy New Year. Please take care and thank you for your ongoing support and co-operation.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'N Parker'.

Mr N Parker  
Headteacher