

14th December 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

And so we come towards the end of another busy yet very successful term. The day-to-day experience of our students continues overwhelmingly to be a happy and productive one. Congratulations to Year 11 & 13 students whose conduct has been exemplary during their mock examinations over the last fortnight.

END OF TERM – 1.50pm on Friday 22nd December 2023

We will be running our annual Christmas market at lunchtimes on Friday 15th December, with a range of festive stalls. Please ensure your child has some spending money for the event.

Next week will see 3 evening performances of 'Matilda', our school show on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday at 7pm. Tickets cost £8 via ParentMail. Please come along and enjoy what should be a entertaining night out. The students have been rehearsing for months and would appreciate your support.

The last day of term will be a non-uniform day (Christmas jumpers encouraged) with a suggested minimum £1 donation. Funds from the non-uniform day and the Christmas markets will be shared between Young Minds Matter, Safeline and The Shakespeare Hospice. Regular lessons will continue through to our early close at 1.50pm on Friday 22nd December. However, school buses will remain at their normal time on these days. If you wish your child to remain in school until 3.10pm please inform their form tutor so that we can make alternative arrangements.

START OF TERM – 8.45am Tuesday 9th January 2024

All students are expected to be in school by 8.45am on Tuesday 9th January 2024. Our regular Week B timetable will commence immediately. Staff will be in school on Monday 8th January for a training day.

UNIFORM REMINDER

Hopefully, Father Christmas will be ensuring that all students are in possession of the full range of school uniform items ready for the start of term! These include blue PE leggings and the school blazer. When buying Christmas presents, please remember that neither sweatshirts or hoodies may be worn in school. We appreciate your support in ensuring that students come to school in the correct uniform throughout the year, with names clearly marked on all garments. Please remember that facial piercings and false nails are also not allowed in school for obvious safety reasons.

Finally, may I thank you for your ongoing support and wish you all a safe and enjoyable holiday period. We look forward to seeing everybody return healthy and raring to go in the New Year. As ever, our X account (formerly Twitter) @StraUponAvonSch contains regular updates.

Yours sincerely,

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