



HEANOR GATE SCIENCE COLLEGE

“Develop all learners to achieve their full potential”
“Create a culture of aspiration”

Principal: **Mr S Huntington**



November 2019

Dear Parent/Carer

As we approach the Christmas holidays I wanted to confirm the arrangements for the coming weeks and our return in January. We have a number of key dates and events over December and hopefully the information below will summarise these for you.

Monday 16 December 2019 – Christmas concert

Our extremely talented students will be showcasing their musical abilities with a festive twist at our annual Christmas concert. Tickets will be made available on ParentPay soon, at a cost of £3.00 each.

Thursday 19 December 2019 – Christmas jumper/festive wear day

Students are allowed to swap their entire school uniform in order to wear a Christmas jumper or festive wear. They will be expected to make a donation of £1 in support of our chosen charities; P.A.C.E and the Padley Centre, Derby. Both charities make a valuable contribution to the homeless and vulnerable communities in our city, especially during the festive period. Students opting to support the charity day will be allowed to wear other items of casual clothing along with their festive wear.

Any students who do not wish to dress festively will be required to wear full school uniform. Students who are not in festive attire or their school uniform will be sent home to change.

Thursday 19 December 2019 – Christmas dinner day

Due to its success last year, we will again be running a scheme in which students can earn a free Christmas dinner. In order to earn this, students must have 100% attendance and have had no late marks or B points between 2 December and 19 December; they will then receive a ticket to claim their dinner.

As Christmas dinner will be served on this day, there will be no food available at break time.

Friday 20 December 2019 - Christmas activity day

Students will be involved in a range of activities throughout the morning including the Christmas concert, European Christmas market, year group celebration assemblies and the Christmas decoration challenge. The market will include some basic stalls where students will be able to purchase small items. Therefore, students may wish to bring cash on the day. Students do not have to wear school uniform and will finish school at 1pm.

Monday 6 January 2020 - first day back

Following the Christmas holidays, all students will be expected to return to school at 8.45am on Monday 6 January.

May I take this opportunity to thank you for your support throughout 2019 and wish you and your families a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Yours sincerely

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