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Dear Parents/Carers

As the end of Autumn term approaches and we all getting excited about the upcoming seasonal holidays, I would like to thank you for your continuous support throughout this very busy term.

We have had many successes this term and enjoyed meeting you on-line and face-to-face on parents' evenings and settling evening for our Year 7 parents. This year for the first time we have a PTA who have organised two major events, our Halloween party and Christmas Fair and overall have raised over £1100. We were also very thankful to receive a sizeable donation of a 3D printing suite and resources from Paul and Anne Kelsall of Pixel Forge. This will allow pupils access to future technologies within the technology department and will elevate project work in all year groups.

Our staff have raised money and we have also received contributions from HTC Local and Attleborough Co-Op, for our annual Christmas Food Hampers which were made by our talented admin staff and will be delivered to some of our families this week.

We will be celebrating the achievement of our pupils this Thursday and Friday and the school finishes for the Christmas Break on 16th December at 12.10pm-12.20pm. On that day, all pupils will have an extended break and are able to buy food from our canteen. Those pupils on Free School Meals will have their lunch during this time.

As you know, we have a family ethos and you are a part of this family. Please contact us directly if you need help or support with matters concerning your child, we are here to support you, you child and our community.

As always, I would like to take the opportunity to remind you of the following:

- Holidays should not be taken during term time and permission will not be given unless there are exceptional circumstances, regardless of levels of attendance.
- The appearance of our pupils and their uniform is important as they represent our school. Most of our pupils are a credit to the school in their appearance and how well they follow our uniform policy.
- Please ensure you note information in relation to false nails, false eyelashes, piercings, hair colour and prohibited items in our school behaviour policy.

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Dates for your diary:

| Year Group | Date of Event | Description |
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| Whole school | Friday 16 th December Tuesday 3 rd January 2023 Friday 31 st March 2023 Friday 21 st July 2023 Monday 24 th July 2023 Tuesday 25 th July 2023 | End of Autumn term- early closure (12.10 - 12.20) INSET day- School closed to all pupils INSET day- School closed to all pupils End of Summer term for pupils- early closure (12.10 -12.20) INSET day- School closed to all pupils INSET day- School closed to all pupils |
| Year 7 | 2 nd February 2023 22 nd May - 23 rd June 2023 | Parents' Meeting Year 7 - 2.00 pm - 7.00pm online Early finish for Year 7 at 1.20 pm Summer Exam window |
| Year 8 | 22 nd May - 23 rd June 2023 | Summer Exam window |
| Year 9 | 2 nd March 2023 22 nd May - 23 rd June 2023 | Pathways Evening 5.30pm - 6.30pm (6pm talk) Summer Exam window |
| Year 10 | 19 th January 2023 | Parents' Meeting Year 10 - 2.00pm – 7.00pm online Early finish for Year 10 at 1.20 pm |
| Year 11 | 5 th January 2023 W.B 6 th February, W.B 13 th February 2023 | Parent information session with Elevate Mock Examination 2 |

Finally, I would like to wish you all a very happy family time this holiday, Merry Christmas and Happy New year to you all. We look forward to our pupils returning on Wednesday 4th January 2023.

Yours sincerely



Homeira Zakary
Principal