

20 November 2017

Dear Parent/Carer

As we approach the beginning of Advent and the end of the school Christmas term I thought I would take to opportunity to write to you to inform you about a couple of events that you are warmly invited to attend.

On the evening of Friday 15 December 2017 we are hosting our annual Christmas Ball. Tickets for this event will be on sale from Friday 24th November 2017 from the school reception for £15.00. It is a great opportunity to relax and enjoy good food and a live disco whilst also raising money for the school.

On Tuesday 19 December 2017 we have our Christmas Concert here in school. The concert starts at 5.30 pm and is followed by a social event for parents organised by our wonderful PTA. There will also be a disco for students during the parents' social. You are most welcome to attend all or part of the evening.

As we head towards Christmas, and the onset of the winter weather, please do refer to our Uniform Policy about winter clothing [can be accessed via the school website]. We encourage all our students to arrive to school with a dark (blue/black) winter coat. School jumpers and hats are available from our uniform suppliers. Hats, hoodies and other non-school jumpers are not permitted as part of our uniform and students will not be allowed to wear them.

On the subject of winter weather, as many of you will be aware, we continue to experience difficulties with the heating system at the school. I am writing to reassure parents that we are continuing to monitor classroom temperatures and were necessary provide portable heating solutions in the interim to ensure that lessons continue as normal. I am as concerned as you are to ensure that the builders and their sub-contractors deliver a system that is fit for purpose and provides an appropriate environment for pupils and staff to work in. If you do have concerns about the heating situation please do write in to me or the Chair of Governors. We will be sure to pass your concerns on to those responsible.

I will write to you again before Christmas but please note that we break up for Christmas at lunchtime on Wednesday 20 December 2017 and students return to school at normal time on Wednesday 3 January 2018.

Yours faithfully



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