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Headteacher: Mr G Green

5 December 2024

Dear Parent/Carer,

We are now weeks away from a well-earned Christmas break. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support this term and hope your Christmas preparations are going well. As we approach Christmas, we want to share with you all the fantastic events and activities we have planned for your children and families. We see the importance of celebrating the festival of Christmas and the achievements of our students this term as a school community and therefore we have outlined in the table below the activities we have planned.

Date	Event/ Activity	Other relevant. Important Information
Wednesday 11th December 2024	Christmas Concert	All parent and students welcome Tickets £4 adults and £2 Children 7:30 – 8:30pm
Friday 13th December 2024	Year 7 and 8 Snowball Reward Party	Additional information below
Wednesday 18th December 2024	Year 9 Christmas Party	Additional information below
Thursday 19th December 2024	Year 10 Christmas Party	Additional information below
Thursday 19th December 2024	Year 11 Mock Results and Regards	Additional information below
Friday 20th December 2024	Christmas Jumper Day	Additional information below
Week Beginning Monday 16th December 2024	Reward Assemblies	Additional information below

Our students make us extremely proud as they continue to excel in their daily learning routines. We strongly believe in making every moment count and ensuring students are learning right to the end of term. Therefore, please note that lessons will continue as normal for the next two weeks, so it is really important all students have 100% attendance even in the run up to Christmas, so they do not miss out on any learning.

Friday 13th December 2024 - Year 7 & 8 Snowball Reward Party

We have challenged students between the dates of Monday 4th November and Monday 2nd December to achieve excellent behaviour and attendance to receive an invite to the Snowball disco. This will be at the Academy from 5:30pm to 7:30pm. There will be music, live performances and games. Furthermore, our Sixth Form will be running a tuck shop, stocked with a number of sweets for sale. We encourage those in attendance to bring cash preferably in small denominations.

This is an informal event so we would expect your child to be dressed in Christmas attire. Should you feel happy to allow your child to attend the party, we ask that transport arrangements be made for their safe return home. We will not allow students to leave our premises before 7:30pm unless a parent/carers is there to collect them.

Wednesday 18th December 2024 - Year 9 Christmas Party

We have challenged students between the dates of Monday 4th November and Monday 2nd December to achieve excellent behaviour and attendance to receive an invite to the Christmas Party. This party will take place during school hours, students will come out of lesson and receive party food and drink, play games and listen to music.

Thursday 19th December 2024 - Year 10 Christmas Party

We have challenged students between the dates of Monday 4th November and Monday 2nd December to achieve excellent behaviour and attendance to receive an invite to the Christmas Party. This party will take place during school hours, students will come out of lesson and receive party food and drink, play games and listen to music.



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Thursday 19th December at 2.30pm - Yr 11 Mock Results Day

Year 11 parents have been invited to come into school on this day to be with their child as they get their mock results. Parents will need to arrive at 2.15pm to give them time to sign in at reception and get to the school hall before the results are distributed at 2.30pm.

Friday 20th December 2024 - Christmas Jumper Day



On Friday 20th December we will be giving students the opportunity to take part in a Christmas Jumper Day. Students must wear their normal uniform, but they will be allowed to wear an appropriate Christmas jumper. If students do not already have a Christmas jumper there is no need to purchase one, instead they could decorate a jumper they have with Christmas decorations, or alternatively your child could wear something associated with Christmas like a Christmas hat or reindeer ears for example. There will be no expected donations.

This day is not compulsory and students do not have to take part, however if your child does take part, it is important to note that they should wear their school uniform: the usual school trousers/skirt and school shoes as this is **not** a non-uniform day. The same expectations regarding uniform and equipment will remain. Students will follow their timetable and learning will continue as normal.

Celebration Assemblies

All year groups will have celebration assemblies on their normal assembly days. During this time, we will celebrate all the wonderful achievements of our students. We will be rewarding students for merit points, attendance, achievements and contribution to the Academy.

Whole School Christmas Quiz

On the last day of term during period 5 all students will take part in the annual Christmas Form Quiz. Prizes for winning forms in each year group will be allocated. We will not be doing any Christmas quizzes/watching films at any other point to ensure learning continues as usual.

End of Term and Start of Next Term Arrangements

Our School closes for the Christmas break at 3:20pm on Friday 20th December and reopens to students on Wednesday 8th January 2025.

On behalf of everyone at Fakenham Academy, I wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Kind Regards

G. Green

Mr G Green
Headteacher