

Ravens Wood School

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Dear Parent/Carer,

MGL/jem 25th November 2024

As we enter the festive season, I wanted to update you on the following key dates and events:

Christmas Concerts (6.30-7.45pm) and Christmas Marketplace (5.30-6.30pm) – 17th & 18th December:

Our annual Christmas concerts will take place on Tuesday 17th (Year 7R) and Wednesday 18th (Year 7W) December in the Main Hall. These concerts will feature a variety of musical performances, including the Ravens Wood Big Band, Rabble Chorus, and the Year 7 Massed Choir. This year, the PSFA will also be holding a *Christmas Marketplace in the Main Hall from 5.30pm*, offering seasonal refreshments, decorations, and a Tombola. The concert will start at a *slightly earlier time of 6.30pm and finish by 7.45pm*. Tickets are £5 via ParentPay, available <a href="https://example.com/here-new-market-new-mark

The PSFA kindly ask parents and carers who are able to *donate items for the PSFA Tombola* to drop them off at the school's Main Reception (students can also drop off items, but they cannot be given any alcoholic items to deliver). Thank you in advance, your generous contributions will support our school fundraising.

Student Christmas Lunch – 19th December:

Accent Caterers will serve a festive Christmas lunch on Thursday 19th December. The meal, including dessert, will cost £3.95, and students receiving free school meals will be subsidised. Other options will be limited, with some sandwiches and pasta pots available. Year 7 will go to lunch at 12.45pm, Year 8 at 12.50pm, and Year 9 at 1.05pm.

Charity Christmas Jumper Day – 20th December:

On Friday 20th December, students are invited to wear a Christmas jumper with their school uniform for a £2 donation to support Save the Children and Cardiac Risk in the Young. The event is voluntary, and donations can be made via ParentPay from 13th December. Students will also have an assembly in the morning, and the school day will finish early, with dismissal starting at 12.15pm. All proceeds will be split between the Save the Children charity and our school's chosen charity, Cardiac Risk in the Young and should be paid via ParentPay at the link here.



First Day of Spring Term – 7th January 2025:

Students will return on Tuesday 7th January for a 10.50am registration, followed by Period 3 at 11.10am. We will follow a Week A timetable. The canteen will be open for lunch only on this day. Please note that Monday 6th January is a staff INSET day, and school will be closed to students.

For safeguarding advice over the holidays, please visit our website <u>here</u>. Staff emails will not be monitored during the break. We hope you have a wonderful Christmas break and look forward to welcoming students back on 7th January.

Yours sincerely,

M. Glosow

Ms M. Lester Headteacher