



13th December 2013

Dear Parent and Student,

Term closes for the Christmas break at 12.30pm on Friday 20th December and school re-opens at the normal time on Monday 6th January 2014.

Arrangements leading up to the end of term are as follows:

Staff Pantomime

The staff will once again be demonstrating that we are better teachers than actors by performing our version of Charles Dickens' Christmas Carol - "A Christmas Carole" on Wednesday at 3.45pm. Tickets cost £1 and are available from the Main Reception now. This event will sell out quickly, so please do not delay getting your tickets.

On Friday 20th December, students will be allowed to come in their own clothes rather than school uniform and there will be no request for a donation to charity. On that morning there will be discos for Key Stage 3 students as follows:

Period 1 Year 8

Period 2 Year 9

Period 3 Year 7

There will be a 'loose change' collection for students in the discos to raise money for the Down Syndrome Association. All other students will follow the normal timetable for Periods 1 and 2, with Period 3 being with form tutors.

Three members of staff are leaving us at the end of term. Mr Kaluza is retiring after 16 years' service to the school. I would like to thank him for his wonderful contribution to the work of the school and to the successes of the Technology Department in particular where he was able to use his valuable industrial and professional expertise to enhance the work of our students. We wish him a long, happy and healthy retirement. Mr Murray, Head of English, has earned a well-deserved promotion to Pleckgate High School in Blackburn. During his 9 years at the school, he has made an enormous contribution to our teaching of English and also, for a short time, to the leadership of the Sixth Form. Mrs Welsh, who has done such a great job supporting students in Lennon College, is leaving as Mrs Dagleish returns to her duties. Many thanks to all three colleagues for their excellent contribution to our school and we wish them well in the future.

I hope all students and their families have a wonderful Christmas and a successful year in 2014.

Yours faithfully,

P. S. Wood

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Headteacher