



Walderslade Girls' School

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Dear Parent/Carer,

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As we get closer to Christmas and festivities begin, I thought it prudent to write out with some of the upcoming Christmas plans:

Thursday 1st December: Year 7 Panto Trip

The pantomime trip is an annual tradition at WGS that takes year 7 on a festive outing to a local pantomime, giving them a chance to unwind and enjoy each other's company. Christmas is always a great excuse to build on friendships and bond over silliness and laughter!

Friday 9th December: Christmas Jumper Day

On Friday 9th December we will be holding a Christmas Jumper Day. Students may wear a Christmas jumper with their uniform and forgo their blazer for the day. Please use this event to make a donation to the NSPCC via our link on Parent Pay or feel free to donate something to the school towards our Christmas Hamper Appeal (see below).

Christmas Hamper Appeal

Last year we managed to source 24 Christmas Day hampers from the Kingsway International Centre in Medway. This year we are looking to build our food drive so we can help feed even more families. We are collecting donations for Christmas Dinner Hampers, Christmas Chocolate Hampers and Everyday Food Hampers to support disadvantaged families through Christmas. If you would like to donate any items (non-alcoholic and non-perishable) then please send them in with your daughter/ward. Alternatively, you can drop them into reception. We are incredibly grateful for all your generosity and donations to date. And if you are in need of support from the school for the Christmas period, don't hesitate to let us know by completing a Parent Support form on the 'Contact Us' part of our website, or emailing our Family Liaison Officer, Mrs Harries (harrs739@sflt.org.uk).

Wednesday 14th December: Christmas Dinner

The canteen will be providing a traditional Christmas Dinner for those who would like one. We plan to decorate the hall/canteen, pull crackers, listen to Christmas music and staff and students will eat together! Lunch time will be extended on this day to ensure we all have ample time to enjoy the lunch and each other's company. A Christmas Lunch will be available for £3 and we ask this is pre-paid on Parent Pay (Free School Meals students will, of course, still apply). More details will be coming



out in due course. But, we hope lots of students will join us for a traditional festive lunch.

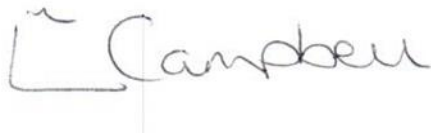
Thursday 15th December: Performing Arts Christmas Show

The Christmas show is a festive celebration of the performing arts with a variety of music and dance acts, showcasing our students' pure enjoyment of our subjects. You are all welcome to attend and enjoy this wonderful evening event to help get you in the festive spirit and be entertained by our incredibly talented Walderslade girls. More information and tickets will be released in due time.

Wednesday 21st December: Last Day Arrangements

Finally, Wednesday 21st December is the last day of term. Periods 1 and 2 will be full 'normal' lessons. After break time, students will head into forms for their Christmas form gatherings and take part in Christmas rewards assemblies. These celebration and reward assemblies may even have some special Christmas performances. And we'll have a small input from the local Rev Vaughn. School will then finish at 1pm.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions.



Mrs L Campbell

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