Dear Parent and Student,

Our last bulletin of the term will share highlights since September and updates on what has been taking place over the term. Our young people have been very active and I am delighted to share that they have shown real generosity of spirit with regards to fund raising initiatives. It is always very impressive when young people decide that they want to make a positive difference to the lives of others less fortunate than themselves.

In this penultimate bulletin of the term I want to share some key reminders. Firstly the end of term arrangements are as follows

- On Wednesday the restaurant will be serving Christmas Lunch
- Friday is our last day of term. It will be non-uniform day as a treat. Students will have their usual lessons until period 3. There will then be Tutor Time and end of term assemblies.
- Years 10, 11, 12 and 13 will be dismissed to go home at 12.10pm. Years 7, 8 and 9 will be dismissed to go home at 12.45pm.
- Those students who receive a free school meals will be able to collect a packed lunch at break time so that they have their entitlement.

Secondly, as we look to the new term I have attached our school uniform list once again as a reminder about the necessity of adhering to this. I thank parents in advance for their support and to ask that all the issues highlighted by Directors of Studies and Form Tutors are addressed over the holiday period in readiness for a positive start to the new term.

Have a lovely week ahead

Kathleen M Higgins
Executive Headteacher
Uniform list

**Uniform (Girls and Boys):**

- Black blazer with school logo
- Optional - V-neck purple jumper with school logo
- White Blouse/Shirt, buttoned to neck
- School Tie
- Black *Business* Trousers with plain black belt
- *(no patch pockets, stretch fabric or logos)*
- or
- Black Knee length skirt for girls
- *(not stretch fabric and no logos)*

Black shoes of a leather type (not boots or trainers)
Socks – White or Black

**Jewellery/Appearance**

Nails of an acceptable length with NO nail varnish. Students may wear one small ring, one pair of small stud earrings in the regular position, ie one stud in each ear lobe, and a watch.

Facial/body piercings are not acceptable.
We will not accept students with visible tattoos.
Hair colouring should be natural and of one colour.
Nail varnish of any colour is not permitted. Students wearing nail varnish will be asked to remove it at Student Services.

Head scarves, if worn, should be black or white; a small amount of colour in purple is acceptable.

Large pins with jewels are not acceptable for school.

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**PE kit list**

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Please note that some of the requirements above are for health and safety reasons and follow the National Governing Body (NGB) and Safety in PE guidance and therefore must be worn in order for your child to take part in particular sports and activities. For example studded footwear must be worn during football and rugby, along with shin pads for football and gum shields for contact rugby.