

10th December 2020

Dear Parents/Carers

Arrangements for the end of term

I am sure you will have seen the news coverage that the government have offered schools the decision to take the final day of term as an INSET day.

At The Dean Academy we have given this a lot of thought but have decided we will end the term on **Friday 18th December at 12.30 p.m.** as previously planned. Due to the short notice of the announcement, we felt that closing early would cause issues for parents needing to make arrangements with little time to plan. With so much school time missed due to the disruption caused by the pandemic we also felt it was important to continue right up to the end of our planned term end date.

I also want to make you aware of some of the events we do have planned for the final days of term to celebrate the festive period. These events include:

- A Christmas Lunch - all students have been offered a free Christmas Lunch and this will take place, by year group, from Tuesday to Thursday. If your child has not pre-ordered but would like to now be included ask them to speak with their tutor as soon as possible!!!
- Christmas Jumper Day – students are able to wear a Christmas Jumper on Friday 18th December. Students should still wear normal school shoes, trousers, shirt and tie with their Christmas Jumper.
- A Christmas celebration assembly and virtual carol singing on the last day of term.

Thank you for your understanding.

Wishing you and your family a very Happy Christmas.

Yours sincerely



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