

# Parent Briefing: Friday 1st December

# **END OF TERM / START OF TERM ARRANGEMENTS**

Advanced notice that **school closes to students at 12.30 pm on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December**. If your child is eligible for a free school meal, please use the online portal (link at the end of the Briefing), to pre-order food to take away on that day and your child can collect it before leaving school.

On return in January, **Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January is a Staff training Day** and, therefore, school is closed to all students. **School re-opens to students at the usual time on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> January.** 

## PUDSEY ADVENT CALENDARS COLLECTION

A huge thank you to all of you that supported the community Advent calendar campaign. You may recall that this is a local campaign that we are supporting through collecting advent calendars to be distributed to local children's hospitals. Well over 400 were brought in by our whole school community in total – the highest total for anywhere since the collection has been going over the last 5 years. Clare, a local Pudsey parent and the organiser was overwhelmed by our school's generosity. There were so many calendars to pick up that she had to make multiple trips! A fantastic effort by all.



#### CURRICULUM FOR LIFE ASSEMBLIES

During last week, as part of our Curriculum for Life programme, Key Stage 3 had two important assemblies. The first was surrounding weapons awareness, whilst the second was around the risks associated with Child Criminal Exploitation, including County Lines. These assemblies were delivered by St. Giles, a Leeds based charity who use expertise and real-life past experiences to teach students about the risks that can be associated with certain actions and activities.

## **MONITORING REPORTS**

Over this half term, parents in all year groups will have received or be receiving monitoring reports via Arbor. These short progress reports provide an overview of how your child is engaging in learning and is progressing in subject areas. The style of the report differs depending upon the year group. For example, in Year 7 the monitoring report at this point of the year includes reference to Classroom Learning Quality and

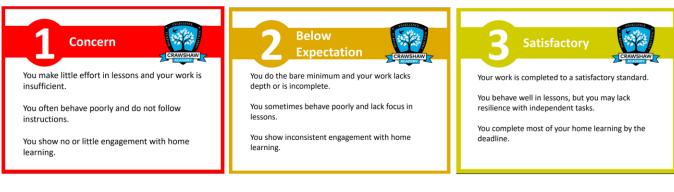
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Independent Learning Quality (for Core and EBacc subjects) which comes from the descriptors shown below.





In other year groups it also includes subject progress information. At Key Stage 4 and for subjects in Year 9 that have been chosen in the Applied Learning option pathway, this takes the form of a Professional Prediction. This is defined as "If the student keeps working as they are at this moment in time AND nothing else changes, what GCSE/VTQ grade will he/she likely go on to achieve?". As more evidence emerges through the key stage, this grade may change between monitoring points.

For Key Stage 3, staff assess a student against their Expected Attainment Pathway submitting a category from Excelling, Secure, Developing, Emerging. The level of progress a child is making through the curriculum is indicated by comparing their generated EAP against their staff submitted assessment. For example, a student whose EAP is in the SECURE band and whose subject assessment is in the SECURE band is making expected progress through the curriculum. A student whose EAP is in the EXCELLING band but is judged as SECURE is making less than expected progress. A student who whose EAP is in the DEVELOPING band but is judged as SECURE is making better than expected progress.

For any questions about your child's monitoring reports, please contact the relevant Phase Leader (Mrs Dwight for Key Stage 3, Mrs Dyson for Key Stage 4) in the first instance.







# **PARENTS' EVENINGS**

Year 9 Parents' Evenings are coming up in the next few weeks; the year group is split into two so half the Year 9 forms will be covered on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December with the other half on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December. All subject evenings (expect for Year 11) are held via School Cloud.

**Year 11 Parents' Evening** will be on Thursday 11th January. This will be in-person and arrangements for the evening will be communicated shortly.

## CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Tickets are now available for the annual Christmas Concert. This celebration of the best of the Music Department is always brilliant and this year's date is on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December. Please purchase your tickets via ParentPay before they sell out!

# VACANCY - PRINCIPAL'S EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT AND OFFICE MANAGER



Please see the link below for details of a current live vacancy with a closing date of **Wednesday**, 6th December: Principal's Executive Assistant and Office Manager.

A reminder that all our vacancies are shown on our website / Red Kite Learning trust website – direct link here: https://www.careers.rklt.co.uk/

## **SAFEGUARDING: ONLINE BULLYING**

Please see below for advice on how to support your child combat online bullying. Whilst school can support and provide guidance, there are actions that should be taken to safeguard your child. The advice provides a guide as to when you should choose to involve the Police and how this can be done.









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# **KITCHEN @ CRAWSHAW**

A reminder that our catering website – <u>www.cateringatcrawshaw.com</u> - has everything to do with Catering at Crawshaw, including a **Pre Order Portal for students to use** to jump the queue. You can preorder:

- a) Cold Sandwiches, Baguettes or salads, to include our meal deal offer of a drink and homebaked treat **for £2.60**
- b) The option for a premium preorder which includes a wrap, pasta or salad with 2 toppings and 2 sides for £3.00.

Once ordered their lunch can be collected from a designated collection point in the canteen, thereby jumping the queues.

Kind regards

Robin Ghosal Associate Principal



