



November 2022

Dear Parents/Carers

## Re: End of autumn term arrangements - December 2022

Firstly, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your continued support. As always, it has been a very busy autumn term, with a full programme of extra-curricular activities as well as the welcome return of trips and visits, with many more being planned for the spring and summer terms. It has been lovely to see so many parents, carers and families in school taking part in various events, including the year ahead meetings, the Archbishop of York Young Leaders presentation events and the year 10 and 11 careers and post-16 information evening. We have our first whole school enrichment day planned for Friday 2 December; year 9 and 10 students will be enjoying visits to Warwick Castle and Cadbury's World and Year 7, 8 and 11 students have a whole host of visiting speakers, workshops and opportunities to take part in on site. We have a number of activities planned before the end of term and further information is provided below.

### **From Monday 28 November - Christmas appeal**

Following on from a hugely successful Harvest appeal, we have again chosen to support Rachel's Table, a small local charity that supports homeless and vulnerable families in Leicester and Leicestershire, which has seen over a 50% increase in need over the past few months. Rachel's Table will be distributing Christmas hampers over the festive period and would welcome donations of store cupboard staples such as tinned food, cereal bars, pasta, pot noodles etc as well as Christmas treats such as cakes and biscuits. **If you would like to contribute and are able to do so, please bring donations to reception between Monday 28 November and Monday 12 December. Thank you in advance.**

### **Wednesday 7 and Thursday 8 December - Christmas lunch**

On Wednesday 7 and Thursday 8 December, our amazing catering team will be serving up a traditional Christmas lunch, with all the trimmings, including dessert for £3.95! If your child would like to enjoy a festive lunch, please ensure that you pre-order in advance, this is to help us with ordering at this busy time of year! No other hot food will be available to purchase at lunch time on these dates, if you do not wish to purchase a Christmas lunch, students should please bring a packed lunch. There will be a limited cold sandwich selection available at the baguette bar. All students in receipt of free school meals will receive a Christmas lunch unless they let the school office know they do not want one. **To confirm your child's order, please pre-pay £3.95 via ParentPay by Friday 2 December.** A vegetarian option is available to select when ordering.

### **Last week of term**

As part of our build up to Christmas, we will be holding our Christmas services in school during the last week of term for all year groups. This will provide an opportunity for students and staff to stop and reflect on the meaning of Christmas; we will welcome leaders from our local churches who will lead aspects of that with us. Alongside this, we will also be celebrating the successes of our students this term through the end of term awards assemblies.

### **Friday 16 December - Christmas jumper day**

Friday 16 December will be a non-uniform day, where students are invited to wear a Christmas jumper as part of that and donate £1, via ParentPay, in aid of The British Red Cross Ukraine Crisis Appeal. **Please donate, via ParentPay, between Monday 12 and Friday 16 December.**



**Friday 16 December - last day of term**

On Friday 16 December, there will be a mixture of normal lessons as well as the opportunity for students to spend time enjoying festive celebrations with their form group. **Brockington College will close for the Christmas holidays on Friday 16 December 2022 at 12.25pm.** The school buses will arrive for 12.30pm and will depart by 12.40pm. Students eligible for a free school meal should collect a 'grab and go' lunch bag at break time that they can take with them. We appreciate that the early finish may create childcare issues for some parents/carers. Therefore, there will be the facility for any child to stay in school and be supervised in the library until 3pm, although there will be no school buses at this time. Please complete and return the reply slip below, via the school office by Monday 5 December, should you need to make use of this facility.

As we head towards the end of term, we are saying a few goodbyes to valued teachers who are moving on to pastures new. My personal thanks go to Ms Muir, Mrs Scoggins and Mr Syed, for all they have contributed to Brockington and we wish them all the very best in their next ventures. We will be welcoming several new teachers to Brockington College. They are all looking forward to joining us and I will introduce them to parents and carers in the spring term.

**Brockington College will be closed between Monday 19 December and Monday 2 January 2023. Students are expected back in school for the start of the new term, in full uniform and with correct equipment, on Tuesday 3 January 2023 at 8.30am.** I would like to take this opportunity to thank you again for your support this term and to wish you and your family a peaceful and blessed Christmas period. I look forward to continuing our work together in the new year.

Yours sincerely

Sadie Batstone  
Principal



**Return to: Ms H Warner, via school office, by Monday 5 December 2022**

**Request for supervision facility on Friday 16 December 2022**

I would like my child to stay in school on Friday 16 December 2022 and be supervised from 12.25pm to 3pm in the library.

Name of student: ..... Form group: .....

Name of parent/carer: .....

Signed: ..... Date: .....  
(By the adult with legal responsibility for the young person)

