

Headteacher: Mr James McGeachie

November 2016

Dear Parents/Carers

I would like to inform you of events taking place at school before Christmas:

- A reminder that school will be **closed to students on Monday 21st November 2016 and Tuesday 22nd November 2016** due to INSET Days.
- **Trust's Christmas Market on Monday 5th December at 5pm** at The Becket School; all the proceeds going towards the Trust's charitable project – 'Building Hope in Bunkpurugu' – with all the Trust schools working together to raise funds to help build a school in Ghana .
- Following the Christmas Market is the annual **Advent Liturgy Service on Monday 5th December at 7.30pm**. This will be led by our 6th form chaplaincy team with an interactive exploration of the season of Advent (*free tickets will be available in the next few weeks. Refreshments will be available afterwards*).
- **Christmas Concert** (Featuring music from all our ensembles and examination groups): **Tuesday 13th December** at The Becket School – **7pm**.
(*Tickets available from the school finance office/music dept - £5 Adults, £2.50 Concessions - Refreshments available on the evening*)

The Advent Liturgy and Christmas Concert complement each other in preparing our community for Christmas. I do hope you will be able to join us.

- **GCSE/A Level Certificate Awards Evening on Thursday 15th December 2016 at 7.00pm**. Invitations will be sent out to relevant students in advance.

Arrangements for the last week of term:

Monday 19 th December	Progress Day - You will receive a letter from school with an appointment for you to meet with your child's form tutor or another member of staff.
Tuesday 20 th December	There will be a programme of events including advent liturgies, achievement assemblies, form celebrations and other activities. The last day of term will be a non-uniform day . Donations of £1 will go to Emmanuel House. (Early Closure for students – 1pm)

School will close early for students at 1pm on Tuesday 20th December. School buses have been contacted and students will be able to travel home as per usual on the Friday at an earlier time. Unfortunately, those travelling on the 448 shared bus service with St Edmund Campion will not have an earlier service.

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Students will return to school on **Wednesday 4th January 2017**.

- School will be closed to students on **Friday 10th February 2017** due to INSET day.

May I take this opportunity to wish you a happy and holy festive season.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James McGeachie". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line above the first few letters and a flourish at the end.

James McGeachie
Headteacher