

**Headteacher: Mr James McGeachie**

November 2017

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 20th November 2017 and Tuesday 21st November 2017** due to INSET Days. However, please note that there will still be Trinity Music exams taking place on these days.
- **Trust's Christmas Market on Thursday 30th November 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.
- **Advent Liturgy on Monday 4th December at 7.30pm.** This will be led by our 6<sup>th</sup> 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*).
- **Shakespeare Festival 2017 – Trio of performances: Othello, Twelfth Night & Julius Caesar: 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> December** at The Becket School (Drama Studio Theatre) – **7.00pm**  
(*Tickets available from the school finance office: £5 Adults, £2.50 Concessions – Refreshments available on the evening*)
- **Trust Christmas Concert at the Albert Hall Nottingham on Tuesday 12th December – 6.45pm - featuring Music from The Becket Concert Orchestra and Big Band, Choirs and our Trust Primaries**  
(*Tickets available from The Music Dept and Finance office: £5 Adults, £3.00 Concessions*)
- **Christmas Concert** (Featuring music from all our ensembles, choirs and examination groups): **Monday 18th December** at The Becket School – **7pm.**  
(*Tickets available from the school finance office/music Dept - £4 Adults, £2.00 Concessions - Refreshments available on the evening will go towards our Lourdes fund raising.*)

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 Wednesday 20th December 2017 at 7.00pm**, and will feature music from our examination groups. Invitations will be sent out to relevant students in advance.

### Arrangements for the last week of term:

#### Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> 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).**

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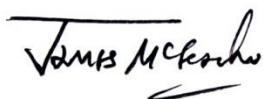
**School will close early for students at 1pm on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2017.** School buses have been contacted and students will be able to travel home as per usual on the Friday at an earlier time. Unfortunately, those travelling on the 448 shared bus service with St Edmund Campion will not have an earlier service.

Students will return to school on **Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2018.**

- School will be closed to students on **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2018** 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, appearing to read 'James McGeachie', with a horizontal line above the first few letters and a flourish at the end.

**James McGeachie**  
**Headteacher**