



**THE NOTTINGHAM
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Dear Parents and Carers

Christmas Events

Over the last couple of weeks of term we want to ensure that we can still celebrate Christmas with our school community. This letter outlines the different activities that are taking place in school that your child can get involved with:

Christmas Jumper Day - Friday 10th December: We will be supporting Save the Children's Christmas Jumper day this Friday 10th December. A link to this charity and the day is below:

<https://www.savethechildren.org.uk/christmas-jumper-day>

If your child would like to get involved they need to come to school in full school uniform but replace their blazer for a Christmas jumper. If your child wouldn't like to take part they must come to school in full school uniform. Donations can be paid on ParentMail.

Christmas Dinner – Wednesday 15th December: The school canteen will be serving a full Christmas Dinner with festive puddings. Vegetarian and Halal options will also be available. The menu sounds great and I am looking forward to seeing our students pulling Christmas Crackers and enjoying Christmas Dinner with their friends. As this will involve significantly more preparation than normal, there will be less hot food options available on the day.

Christmas Hampers: As a school community we collect hampers for The Friary every Christmas. After a challenging year for many, we feel it's vital to support those in our community who might need help. We are collecting: non-perishable food, such as tinned soups, chopped tomatoes, beans; household items, such as sanitary products, toothpaste and shower gel; and clothes in good condition, such as a coats, scarves and gloves. Students will find donation points outside the chapel. **We will be delivering these items on 20th December, so please donate before then.**

Christmas in the Cloister – Monday 20th December: Our chaplaincy team have organised a festive event in the cloister to celebrate Christmas. This event will take place over both lunchtimes on Monday 20th. There will be craft activities alongside time to reflect and consider the meaning of Christmas. Heads of House have also organised charity stalls. As a House Team, we support Show Racism the Red Card, Guide Dogs for the Blind, Nottingham Hospital's Charity and Wish Upon a Star, as voted for by our student body. During Christmas in the Cloister, we will be hosting hot chocolate sales, alongside festive games and raffles in order to raise money for these charities. All of our activities will be priced at 50p or £1. Please help us to help our community by letting your child bring in some change to get involved.

Christmas Carol Service – Monday 20th December: Unfortunately we are unable to host our traditional Carol Service in person this year. Students and staff have been busily preparing and filming for our online Carol Service instead. The sounds of Christmas tunes have filled the hall over the last couple of days and the quality is amazing! We will send you a link so that you watch our Carol Concert from the comfort of your home closer to the date.



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Last day of Term – Wednesday 22nd December: Students will be leaving for the Christmas holiday at 1:30pm. There will be no enrichment, intervention or homework clubs running on the last day of term.

We return to school on Monday 10th January. We are currently looking at how we will conduct the required LFT testing in the New Year. Once we have a confirmed plan in place, we will communicate that home. With Covid cases rising across the city please can I remind you about the importance of regular LFT testing at home. This needs to continue over the Christmas holidays. Please report any positive cases to the admin email address admin@emmanuel.nottingham.sch.uk.

Thanks for your continued support over our first full term back at school. I hope you have a lovely Christmas with those that you love.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S. Stapleton', written in a cursive style.

Mrs S. Stapleton
Principal