

Wadham School

A Church of England Community School "Life in all its fullness" John 10:10



Tuesday 29th November 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Re: Headteacher's Update 29.11.22

I must start this update with a big 'Well Done!' to our Year 11 and 13 students that completed mock exams last week. The Sports Centre became their second home as they practised the skills and discipline required to complete *both* the process of sitting exams and the actual exams themselves. The attitude and conduct shown by all bar 2 students was superb – a very good sign as we move into the period of revision and intervention from January. Students will have another period of mock exams in the Spring, ahead of the official summer exam season.

My main item this week though is a reminder about Uniform.

With the cold weather finally here, it's important that students and staff wear appropriate clothing, following our uniform policy where required. I'd like to remind students and parents that hoodies and zip-up tops should not be worn, either in addition to or instead of an overcoat. Our Uniform Policy states:

"In poor weather it is expected that students will want to wear a jacket or coat as an outer garment when outside. Please note that these should not be denim. Hoodies or any other kind of sweatshirt are not acceptable as an outer garment. Students are to wear a Wadham School polo shirt and have the option of adding a school sweatshirt or a coat or both."

It is also acceptable for students to wear a vest of T-shirt underneath their polo-shirt if they feel cold, in addition to the school sweatshirt and coat. Students will be asked to remove overcoats when in buildings, placing them on the back of chairs in classrooms. It is appreciated that students do this for themselves at the start of lessons, without the need for reminders. (The heating is on and the new windows are making a difference!)

Full details regarding uniform expectations can be found on our website: Wadham School - School Uniform

As ever, thank you in advance for your support in helping students meet these expectations.

Yours sincerely,

Richard Burgas Headteacher

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Reverse Advent – 1st to the 12th December

Continuing our theme of 'giving' we are asking all families to consider supporting local foodbanks with a Reverse Advent collection. From the 1st to the 12th of December, we are asking students to put one item of food or drink into a box each day, as a donation to the Food Bank. On the 12th December, students will need to bring their boxes (or bags) in so that we can collect and deliver these donations on behalf of the whole school.

Even if only half the students were able to complete this, we would have nearly 5000 items of food and drink to support those most in need over Christmas.

As ever, we remain grateful of any donations received.

Wadham's Christmas Market - 3rd December



There's still plenty of time for Christmas Shopping, so why not show your support for Wadham School and pop along to our **Christmas Market**, **10.00-2.00pm this Saturday**.

With **free entry** for buyers and a range of stalls on offer, it's a great opportunity to grab a stocking filler or two!

If you're a seller and want a table, please contact Mrs Lucy Martin to arrange your booking.

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Christmas Carol Service at St Bartholomew's – 15th December

It just wouldn't be Christmas without a traditional carol service – for me the event that always marks the real start to the festive season!

This year we'd like to welcome families to our Service on Thursday 15th December, 6.00-7.30pm at St. Bartholomew's Church, Crewkerne.

The service will be a mixture of Readings and Songs, bringing to life the story of the Nativity in celebration of the birth of baby Jesus.

So that we can manage numbers, please email Lorrie Mahoney to confirm your attendance. <u>Imahoney@wadhamschool.co.uk</u>

