



Dear Parents/Carers

End of Term Newsletter (27) – 17th December 2020

Reminder:

Term finishes early tomorrow at 12.10pm. Buses leave at 12.15pm.

End of term Message:

Thank you to all the students who took part in our Festive Friday Christmas Jumper Day. We raised a fantastic total of **£1170** which will be going to **Great Ormond Street Hospital**.

On the continued theme of giving, our end of term Virtual Christmas Assembly will be all about the 'Make a Wish Children's Charity'. Jasmine Taylor in Year 12 talks to us about her role as a trustee and the work the charity does to help make wishes come true for poorly children and their families.

Well done to our musicians

Congratulations to everyone who took part in the Virtual Christmas Concert last night. It was impressive to produce 13 items all recorded within the rules of bubbles and there were some great numbers. We hope to share the concert with everyone via our YouTube channel in the New Year.

Staff Leaving:

We say goodbye to the following staff at the end of this term:

Ms Evans	Drama Teacher
Miss Harris	Extra Curricular Music
Miss Millard	Catering Assistant
Mrs O'Donovan	TA in the Achievement Centre

Thank you for all your contribution to Wood Green School.

Thank you too to Mrs Stokes who has been Acting Head of Drama whilst Mrs Ward was on maternity leave.

We look forward to welcoming Mrs Ward back in her role as Head of Drama in the New Year.

Parent Governor Election Dec 2020

We are pleased to announce that David Parry and Lydia Armes have been elected as new Parent Governors for Wood Green School. Thank you to all the parents who put themselves forward for election.

WGS E-Christmas Card Competition:

We held a Year 7 E-Christmas Card Competition recently and congratulations go to Joe O'Reilly (7JKC) who has designed the winning entry, which you can see at the end of this letter.

Reminder: Track and Trace over the Christmas Holiday:

School track-and-trace continues for six full days after the end of term, from Dec 18th to 24th.

Please read the following carefully:

What to do if your child develops symptoms after the end of term:

Between 18th-24th December:

- If your child develops symptoms between the end of school on 18th December to the 24th December, arrange a test for them as usual and please inform us immediately by emailing

j.tarrant@wgswitney.org.uk and copying the email to Shadbolt.r@wgswitney.org.uk . Please do not copy your email to any other school address as this will interrupt staff who only work in term time.

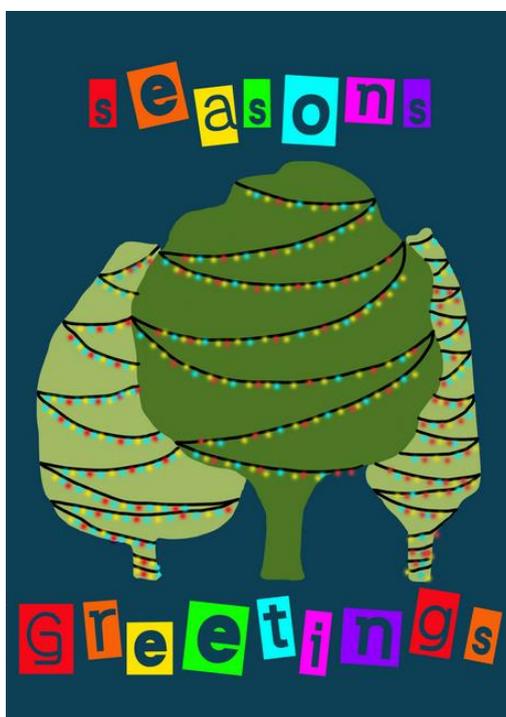
- Please inform Mr Tarrant and myself of the result of the test to the same emails as soon as you receive it.
- If your child receives a positive test we will carry out our track-and-trace procedures to inform school contacts to self-isolate.

Between 25th December and 4th January (inclusive):

- If your child develops symptoms after 24th December, you should arrange a test as usual and the national track-and-trace system will manage this case. You should not contact school if your child develops symptoms from 25th December.
- Please just let school know **on 4th January** if your child is not able to return to school on 5th January, giving us the reasons. Please report your child's absence from school via the Attendance tab on **Insight** which is our preferred method for parents to report absences.

Important information for all families:

Please note that it is possible that we may have to contact you up to the 24th December informing you that you have been a contact of a positive case in school and therefore need to self-isolate. We are hoping not to have to contact anyone, but this is one consequence of having schools open and it is still a legal requirement to self-isolate if required. Please make sure that you are contactable via phone and/or email.



We wish all our students and their families a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Finally, thank you to all families for all of your support again this term. We have managed results chaos, reopening school, creating track-and-trace systems, closing school before half term, introducing Teams and, I hope, a calm second half to the term. I know you will join me in thanking all staff for their efforts. I look forward to seeing all our students back in school on Tuesday 5th January 2021.

Yours sincerely

Mr R Shadbolt
Headteacher