

9 December 2020

## TO ALL PARENTS/CARERS

Dear Parent/Carer

I hope that you and your family are keeping safe and well during these challenging times.

There is some news in the press about schools closing on 18 December. We are already closing at 12:45 pm on Friday, 18 December and there is no need to make any changes to our published times as we have a team of support staff working up to 24 December. Thankfully, there has been a significant reduction of cases over the last few weeks and this is due to the tremendous support we have had from families who have ensured that learners remain at home if they feel at all unwell and until they have had a test. We will continue to monitor local infection rates and ensure that all reasonable measures are taken to protect our staff, learners and families.

Due to the early finish time on Friday, 18 December, a brunch will be organised for break time and learners will have the opportunity to buy from a wider menu. It would be helpful if parents/carers could check that learners have sufficient balance on their ParentPay accounts.

Our Head Boy, Head Girl and their deputies have organised a Christmas Jumper Day for Thursday, 17 December. Learners who wish to take part will need to bring in £1 for charity. Learners can wear any jumper and families will not need to go out and buy a Christmas jumper. However, please note that the rest of the uniform will remain the same.

There is still time for learners to send in clips of their talents for the virtual talent show; these should be emailed to Mr Caine ([p.caine@jcbacademy.com](mailto:p.caine@jcbacademy.com)) by this Friday, 11 December. Please encourage your son/daughter to celebrate their talent and take part.

I look forward to welcoming learners back on Monday, 4 January 2021. May I take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support and wish you and your family a very happy Christmas.

Yours sincerely



Mrs J McGuirk  
Principal