

Weekly Bulletin

Week ending Friday 15 December 2023

Reminder – End of Term Arrangements

School will finish at **1:10pm on Friday 22 December 2023**. We will be offering a selection of hot snacks at break time, which will take place at the usual time. Pupils in receipt of free school meals can use their daily allowance to purchase a hot snack and drink at break time.

Bus Arrangements

We have been in touch with School Transport and the **Catterall's number 636 and Warwickshire Travel number 638** buses will collect pupils at 1:20pm on the last day of term.

Should your child use a Stagecoach bus, these are public services so you will need to check times with them directly.

Festive Dress Day

As previously communicated from Miss Buckenham in the letter dated December 2023, **Friday 22 December** is a non-uniform day with a theme of '**Festive Dress**'. Pupils wishing to not wear their school uniform for the day will need to make a **minimum contribution of £1**, all funds raised will be gifted to **Rugby Myton Hospice**. Pupils are encouraged to wear a **Christmas jumper of festive outfit** of their choosing as there will be a prize for '**the most festive**'. As part of non-uniform day pupils may also if they prefer wear clothes of their choice, providing they are appropriate. Our normal school rules apply to make-up, coats, jewellery and electronic devices. Please refer to the letter for the list of clothing items that are not permitted.

Lost Property

There is a considerable amount of lost property once again. It has been laid out in the Auditorium for pupils to check through so can you please encourage your child to go and have a look if they have lost anything. We will be donating anything that has not been collected to local charities after Christmas.

ParentPay

We have noted that there are several pupils who have a negative balance on their ParentPay account. Please ensure that you top up your child's account regularly and in particular that you ensure they have enough money for their Christmas lunch next Wednesday if they have ordered one. It would be really helpful if accounts were at a zero balance at the end of the term.

Ofsted Parent View

Thank you to the **178 out of 540** families who have completed the Parent View survey. Please can we encourage those who haven't yet done so to complete this by following the link below. It takes just a couple of minutes to register on the Ofsted site, then you can complete the quick survey, which also only takes just 5-10 minutes: <https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/register>

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