

# Allerton Grange School



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## Road Safety Awareness

Be a considerate driver  
Do not park on restricted areas on Talbot Avenue or Lidgett Lane  
Be respectful of our local residents  
Please use the turning circle paying attention to the speed limit  
Obey speeding restrictions; they are there to protect our children  
Look after the environment and switch off your engine, when stationary,  
**for cleaner air!**

Our Ref: MRp/BMa

14 December 2021

Dear Parents/Carers

## Arrangements for Friday 17 December

- School will be open to all students as normal.
- Students in Years 8 and 9 will be dismissed at the end of their break, at 11.45 am. All other year groups (7, 10, 11, 12 and 13) will be dismissed at 12 noon.
- Students will be permitted to wear a Christmas jumper over their school uniform on this day. More information below.
- Chartwells, our catering provider, will be serving a normal menu at break time. However, there will be no provision for a lunch service.
- For students who are booked on the school minibus service, the minibus will depart at 12.15 pm.

This term, we have celebrated:

## Music and Drama Showcase

Our wonderful and creative music and drama students, who gave a brilliant performance last week in the junior drama Christmas Showcase, which was live-streamed for those unable to attend due to Covid restrictions. This week, we have our talented musicians to look forward to in the World of Music Concert on Thursday 16 December.

## Bebras Challenge – International Computing Challenge

Every year, 2.5 million students from around the world take part in the Bebras Challenge. Students who perform in the top 10% globally are invited to take part in the prestigious Oxford University Computing Challenge. Eleven of our students, with the support of Mr Nouch, have achieved this standard and will take part in the next challenge. We are incredibly proud of all of them.

## Charity appeal

The last day of term will be a festive jumper day (but jumper only!) To participate in this event, students are asked to bring a £1 donation. Although this is not compulsory, if students are taking part, school trousers or skirts and school shoes are necessary. If your child has PE on a Friday, please remind them to wear their AGS tracksuit bottoms or shorts and trainers, with a festive top, which will still allow them to participate in the lesson.

This is a great opportunity for our students to join in the festivities, whilst raising funds for the charity Young Minds.

Students who do not wish to be involved must wear full school uniform as normal.



### **Car Parking**

A polite reminder that the school car park, situated on the Talbot Avenue entrance, is for staff and visitors only. Parents are not permitted to drive into this area to pick up and/or drop off students. Please be aware that the drop-off bay is for taxis only; ignoring this is a major breach of health and safety and could, potentially, put your child in danger. This car park must be kept clear should the emergency services need to gain access at any time. In addition, we are receiving an increasing number of complaints about parents parking illegally when dropping off and picking up their child/ren. Local residents are now reporting cases to the police. Highway restrictions are in place to protect our children, so please park safely and within the legal boundaries.

### **Thank you and goodbye**

At the end of every term, it is always difficult saying goodbye to staff who have demonstrated commitment to the school and have supported our students to achieve their best. This term, we say thank you and goodbye to:

Mr Russell, KS4 Intervention Support Assistant

Ms Sekhon, Isolation Supervisor

Ms Ellison, Teacher of Social Science

### **Arrangements for the start of the new term (WEEK A):**

Thank you for your support in encouraging your child/ren to wear a face covering. Until further notice from the government, students, staff and visitors are expected to wear face coverings on corridors and in communal areas. If your child/ren is/are exempt from wearing a face covering, please ensure they wear their lanyard.

Tuesday 4 January COVID testing day for those students who have consented (or whose parents have provided consent).

Wednesday 5 January All students return to school.

### **Reminder of important dates this term**

Thurs 13 January Year 12 Parental Consultation Evening

Tues 18 January Year 7 Parental Consultation Evening

Thurs 27 January Y11 6th Form Guidance – first round

Weds 2 February Schools' Shakespeare Festival – Leeds Playhouse

Weds 16 February Parents' Forum

Weds 9 February Y11 6th Form Guidance – second round

Thurs 17 February Year 8 Parental Consultation Evening

Please check our website and social media sites regularly for any changes and/or further information.

I wish you and your family a peaceful and enjoyable Christmas holiday and a Happy New Year.

Yours faithfully



M Roper

Headteacher