

15 December 2015

Dear Parents and Carers,

It's been a very busy and productive term here at Highshore. We are getting ready for our Christmas shows and do hope to see many of you on:

Wednesday 16 December 1.30 – Key Stage 4&5

Thursday 17 December 1.30 Key Stage 3

Our Christmas market is also open from 1pm before both productions.

We've enjoyed our pantomime, Christmas lunch and school disco.

Friday 18 December is our Christmas Jumper Day for Save the Children. This is an own clothes day for all pupils. We are asking everyone to either wear a Christmas jumper or to bring in an old jumper which we will customise! We will be giving out small prizes as part of the day.

Sadly we are saying goodbye to four colleagues at the end of term. Chloe Petit, teaching assistant in 7L is leaving to prepare for the birth of her baby. Jeff Gayle, Head of Maths and form tutor of 11J is moving on to new challenges. Tomasz Chadzynski form tutor of 10T is returning home to Poland. We wish all of them well and thank them for their contribution to our school.

After almost ten years Cynthia Vincent, form tutor of Garnet and our lead on Social communication and Complex Needs is leaving us to spend more time with her daughter. Cynthia set up Garnet class and has been an outstanding practitioner throughout her time at Highshore. We are all sad that she is leaving but wish her the very best for her future plans.

School closes at **1.30pm on Friday 18 December**. We will be holding a special assembly in the morning.

Pupils return to school on Tuesday 5 January

Thank you for all your support this term.

Yours sincerely

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Headteacher