

Dear Parents and Carers,



I can't believe that it's December already, where has the year gone?

As I write this newsletter, there is snow falling outside and I can't help but think about all the fun Christmas events that are planned between now and the end of term.

On Thursday, Mrs McDonald and the boys in Year 11 worked extremely hard to put up our Christmas tree. As you can see from the photo its rather large (12ft tall actually). Unlike the picture!

Snow!

On Friday we had some snow and the boys were very excited. They were given some additional time to go outside to make snowmen, become snow angels and of course have snowball fights (I, unfortunately was unable to go out and join them as I only had a suit jacket on. I was so sad, honestly!). Anyway, they all had a really good time and then returned to class.

Coming up we have:

Next week pupils will visit the local church to decorate Christmas trees and have a tour of the church.

Christmas Dinner is on Wednesday 20th December.

This will be a family service followed by bingo and activities.

Christmas Jumper Day is on Friday 22nd December.

We are asking for a £1 donation from staff and pupils. All money raised will be donated to save the children.

End of term assembly on Friday 22nd December.

This will include tombola and attendance prizes.

Coffee Morning

I would like to thank all the parents who attended the coffee morning last week. It was lovely to meet you all and to chat about how we can support families and boys moving forwards.

Rewards

This Friday we began a new rewards scheme for the boys. Our ambassadors went 10-pin bowling which caused great excitement. Unfortunately, things rarely go as planned and they had a flat tyre on the way to the bowling alley. The boys were in brilliant whilst they waited for Mr Stephenson to fix the flat and then had a great time.

Rewards will be open to all boys after Christmas. More information to follow.

Building works and improvements

I mentioned in my last newsletter that we currently having lots of building work done. The new reception and quiet eating area should be up and running before the end of term, I'll keep you informed. Also following the discussion with parents at the coffee morning we will be introducing some new security measures to lock down areas that are not used by the boys.

Residential

Last week the school had another residential Ofsted inspection. Unfortunately, I am unable to share the outcome with parents as it is currently in the process of being quality assured before publication.

What I can tell you is that residential boys are really developing their culinary skills planning, shopping for and making their own evening meal each Wednesday. The boys decide on the menu and this week was home make burgers. As you can see from the pictures below, we definitely have a few budding Gordon Ramseys



Happily, the boy boys took pity on me as I was staying in Pickering that night and a supermarket sandwich was beckoning before they offered to make me a burger. I make my own burgers, and these were every bit as good as the ones I make (I'm not sure if that's high praise or not?) And so much BIGGER! I could only actually manage one.

School Uniform

Can I thank all the parents who are ensuring that the boys attend school in uniform. There are still a few who aren't and we'll be contacting parents about this very soon.

Christmas Holidays

Just a quick reminder of the schools Christmas holidays.

School breaks for Christmas: **Friday 22nd December 2023**

Training Day; **Monday 8th January 2024**

School reopens for Pupils: **Tuesday 9th January 2024**

Full information about term dates and school holidays can be found by clicking the link below:

[Term Times - Brompton Hall School](#)

Finally, if you have any questions or queries, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards,

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