



December 2022

Dear parents / carers and families

Start of term arrangements

As the Autumn term draws to a close today, we just wanted to provide a reminder of the arrangements and expectations for the start of term in January.

In the New Year, students in all year groups will return to the Academy on **Monday 9th January** and should be **onsite by 8:30am**. I would like to draw your attention to the school's uniform expectations on the Academy's website: <http://www.farnboroughspencer.com/uniform/>

– in particular the sections on acceptable trousers/skirt and jewellery/make up. It is important that we maintain a consistent approach to uniform and that all of our students are smartly dressed at school and wear our uniform with pride in the community too. The vast majority of our students get this right every day and we thank you in anticipation of your continued support in this regard. **It only works with your support.**

As you will be aware, there has been a lot of bugs around this year. We would traditionally have had our whole school Christmas lunch last week, but we wanted to make sure all students get a chance to enjoy this special event. Therefore, **Farnborough will be celebrating Christmas in January** by providing all students a **free Christmas lunch and an opportunity to wear Christmas jumpers** – we will confirm dates in the new year.

This last two weeks have seen Farnborough at its best. Over 250 attendees enjoyed an exceptional Christmas showcase devised and presented by Mr Popp, Mr Iannattone and Miss Percy. We also completed our reverse advent, where tutor groups made up a box including things like tins, toys and gifts which have been shared with our local foodbank charity. Thank you for your support with this too.

It is essential that students aim to achieve the gold standard of at least 97% attendance to support their achievement. We wish all of our students and families a restful break over the festive period, to ensure all return recuperated and energised to attend school every day in the New Year. Many thanks for your support with this.

I would like to wish you and your loved ones a relaxing Christmas break. I am looking forward to seeing all our students back on Monday 9th January.

Yours sincerely

Mr G Smith
Principal

