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Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope that you are all keeping safe. I would like to thank all members of the school community for your ongoing efforts at reducing the spread of the coronavirus and thank all members of staff at school for maintaining high expectations of virological etiquette whilst providing quality learning opportunities. However, with the increase in cases locally and nationally, could I please ask everyone to remain vigilant in the run up to the Christmas and over the Christmas break.

Our end of term arrangements are as follows:

Monday 20 th December -	Christmas Dinner Day - The canteen festive food is optional and details of the menu can be found on our website at <u>https://www.cityofderbyacademy.org/students/canteen</u> Christmas Jumper Day - This is optional and Christmas jumpers can be worn <u>in addition</u> to normal school uniform (i.e. over school shirt and under their blazer)	
Tuesday 21 st December -	Non-uniform day fo 8:40-9:00am 9:00am-10:00am 10:00-11:25am 11:25-12:25pm 12:25pm	or students, the day will run as follows: Form time and registration Period 1 - as normal timetable Period 2 & Split Break - as normal timetable Period 3 - Form time activities School finish. Students who are eligible for Free School Meals can collect their lunch at 12:25

Wednesday 22nd December - INSET Day - school closed to students

Thursday 23rd December - School holiday (all students to return for Spring Term on Monday 10th January)

Lateral Flow Device Testing in January 2022

All students will return to school on January the 10th 2022, within the first two days of the students returning we will provide an LFD test on school site. This is to check that students are safe to return to school. These LFD Tests will take place in the school day as per the timetable below. If you DO NOT want your child to have a LFD Test, can you please let the school know as soon as possible.

Year Group	LFD Test date	Time
Year 7	Monday 10 th January 2022	09:00 - 11:00
Year 8	Monday 10 th January 2022	11:00 - 13:00
Year 9	Monday 10 th January 2022	13:00 - 15:00
Year 10	Tuesday 11 th January 2022	09:00 - 11:00
Year 11	Tuesday 11 th January 2022	11:00 - 13:00
Catch Up	Tuesday 11 th January 2022	13:00 - 15:00

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Home Lateral Flow Tests

Students have been periodically receiving lateral Flow Device home testing kits. Testing is a great way of reducing the spread of the coronavirus and it is vital to continue with the home testing over the Christmas period. There are a number of guidance documents to support this which can be found on the school website https://www.cityofderbyacademy.org/information/covid-19

Free School Meals

Eligible families will be provided with Free School Meal vouchers from Derby City Council over the Christmas break. Letters will be posted home with more information week commencing 13th December 2021.

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Yours sincerely

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Mr P Smith Headteacher