



13<sup>th</sup> December 2017

Dear Parents and Carers,

We will be finishing school on:

**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2017 at 12.15pm**

I would like to begin by thanking you all for your fantastic efforts in raising money for last year's charity, Cardiac Risk in the Young. An incredible **£8,043.74** was raised for this important charity, whose mission is to prevent young, sudden cardiac deaths through awareness, screening and research, and by supporting affected families.

This year, the student council chose four charities to put forward for this year's annual charity. All students and staff in school had the opportunity to vote, and the **charity Cancer Research UK** received the highest number of votes. The students have suggested that all monies raised at events throughout the year go to this cause.

The first opportunity students will have to raise money for this charity is on the last day, **Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December**, which will be an **own clothes day**. Buckets will be available for students to make a small donation to this fantastic cause.

We will not be in school for lunch time on the last day, however, students who are entitled to a free school lunch may collect lunch from the dining room before they leave. To ensure that we make enough lunches, students will need to give their name to Ms Foster in the school office no later than **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December**.

We are very sorry to say goodbye to **Mr Williams**, who is leaving the school at the end of the term to take up an Assistant Headteacher post at St Catherine's Academy in Bolton. Mr Williams is an incredibly loyal member of staff who has always given a great deal to the school. We wish him every success in his new role.

Lastly, school re-opens on Thursday **4<sup>th</sup> January 2018** at the usual time. The students will still be in their winter uniform. Can I take this opportunity to remind parents that hoodies, nail varnish, and shoes with trainer soles are not permitted in school. The only jewelry allowed is one pair of stud earrings in the lower lobe.

On behalf of all the staff and governors I wish you and your families a very Happy Christmas and a Peaceful New Year. We look forward to seeing your children in the New Year refreshed, rested and ready to learn.

My best wishes to you all, enjoy the holiday.

Yours sincerely,



Janine Kellett  
**Headteacher**