



GGO/TMA

7 December 2023

Dear Parent / Carers

## End of Term Arrangements

I trust that you are looking forward to the holiday and that your own arrangements are now well in hand!

As usual **on the last day of term, Friday 22nd December, school will close at 1.00pm** when our school buses will take students home as normal. Lunch will not be served on this day.

Students are invited to wear a Christmas jumper on the last day, if they would like to, for which they can make a voluntary cash donation to Save the Children. This will be collected in Tutor Time. There is no expectation that children must participate and we would certainly not wish anyone to buy a jumper for this purpose alone. An ordinary jumper with some appropriate tinsel or similar attached is perfectly acceptable. All other uniform must be worn as usual. e.g. trousers / school skirts / lanyard. Students may choose simply to wear their usual school jumpers.

The last day of term at Brookvale Groby always has a significantly negative impact on our attendance figures. Please ensure that your son or daughter attends school right up to the end of term. Students will often talk about it not being worth attending as it is only half a day but the reality is that only 1 lesson is missed on these days and lessons continue even on the last day of term.

On a similar note can I also remind parents of our uniform expectations, both in the run up to the holiday and immediately afterwards. Our policy has been unchanged over a number of years and is viewable on the website. Common issues that we deal with in the party season are false nails and nose/multiple ear piercings. Please can I ask parents to ensure that whatever students have been wearing out of school that they are removed before coming in. Hoodies and non-school jumpers should also be left at home.

Thank you to all parents and carers for all your support throughout his very long term.

May I take this early opportunity to wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Yours sincerely

Greg Godwin  
Senior Deputy Headteacher