

Alderbrook School

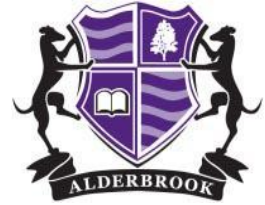
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Dear Parents and Carers

It was great to see so many people at our Winter Wonderland Dance Show earlier this week, and we look forward to seeing many of you at our upcoming concert and shows.

As is always the case at this time of year, there is so much going on in school; the information below outlines all the key events happening over the next few weeks. We have also included links to our Safeguarding newsletter and information from Children's Mental Health Services.

Christmas Jumper Day – Wednesday 10th December

All students are invited to wear a Christmas jumper to school on Wednesday 10th December to raise money for Birmingham Children's Hospital. The suggested donation is £1 and donations need to be made on ParentPay (the 'Charitable Donation' item). We are not accepting cash donations for this event. This event is entirely voluntary so students don't have to wear a Christmas jumper if they don't wish to. **Please note that full school uniform should still be worn**, with the Christmas jumper being an addition to this. It is not a non-uniform day.

Christmas Lunch – Wednesday 10th December

Our Christmas lunch will be taking place on Wednesday 10th December. The menu is attached [here](#). This does not need to be pre-ordered. For students who do not wish to have the Christmas lunch, a limited selection of other food items will be available to purchase on this day.

Christmas Productions

We have our Winter Concert on Tuesday 2nd December and our whole-school production of Elf, starting on Tuesday 16th December. For further details and tickets, please see our website:

[Alderbrook Productions - Alderbrook School](#)

Christmas Raffle – please support us!

Tickets are now available for our Christmas Raffle, priced at £1 per ticket. Proceeds are going to our nominated charity, Birmingham Children's Hospital. Students are to bring in cash and tickets can be bought from Sixth Formers who will go round form rooms every day and in Cartwright Hall

on Fridays. There are some great prizes including a signed Birmingham City shirt and a £50 Touchwood voucher. More details [here!](#)

Safeguarding newsletter

Please find attached [here](#) our monthly safeguarding newsletter in partnership with The Enlightened Parent – this edition contains useful guidance on popular apps and what you should know to guide your children safely online, as well as tips on how to support your child's independence.

Solar newsletter

Please find attached a newsletter from the Solar MHST team [here](#).

Age UK Christmas Appeal – thank you!

Thank you to all the families who kindly donated biscuits and chocolates as part of our Christmas Appeal for Age UK. We had a huge response and were delighted to deliver many boxes last Friday. These gifts will be distributed to elderly people in the Solihull area over the festive period.

I wanted to take this opportunity to inform you about some upcoming events that are taking place.

End of term – Friday 19th December

The last day of term is Friday 19th December, with school finishing at the earlier time of 12.30pm. We are in contact with the bus companies to see if they can collect students at this earlier time and will confirm the final arrangements shortly. In the event that the buses are unable to provide this service and this is your child's usual method of transport home, you will need to make alternative arrangements for your child to be collected at 12.30 pm.

If your child is in receipt of free school meals and they would like a sandwich on this day, please complete this short MS Form [here](#) by Monday 15th December. Sandwiches will be available to collect from Cartwright canteen during break or when your child leaves site at 12.30 pm.

Calendar reminders

1 December – Nasal flu catch up – **please note this is a catch up session only for students who could not have the vaccination last half term and only those students on the list will be offered this on Monday.**

2 December – Winter concert Malley Hall – 6.30 pm

3 December – Year 11 Parents' Evening

8 December – MADE revision workshops for year 11 students and parents/carers – Final call to sign up for the revision workshop for parents/carers at 5pm in Malley Hall. To request a place, please complete this short Form.

[Year 11 MADE Revision Workshop 8th December, 5pm – Fill in form](#)

9 December – Freud Museum trip Year 13 Psychology students

10 December – Christmas jumper day, Christmas lunch and Sixth Form quiz

16-18 December – Elf The Musical

19 December – Last day of term 12.30 pm finish

Yours faithfully



Mr T Beveridge
Headteacher