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7th December 2023

Principal
Shaun Strydom MEd

Dear Parents/Carers

As we draw closer to the Christmas holidays, I wanted to inform you about Brooke Weston's Christmas arrangements and events.

Christmas Festivities and Lunch

During week 8, we will have our Christmas festivities and students can pay **£3.19** on WisePay by Friday 15th December for their Christmas lunch, which will be hosted on Wednesday 20th December. Please see attached the Christmas Menu which includes a carton of juice, a mince pie and chocolate mint. The Christmas dinner booking is now set up and live on Wisepay. All parents are welcome to place their orders. Please ensure you make payment by 15th December to avoid disappointment.

For those who do not wish to have a Christmas lunch we would ask that your child brings in a packed lunch for the day. However, there will be a selection of sandwiches on offer.

School festivities will take place on Wednesday 20th December and pupils may wear appropriate mufti. They will also have the opportunity purchase small gifts and sweets from our Christmas Fair on their festivity day so may wish to bring in a small amount of money which will be donated to charity.

Central to the Christmas festivities is what has now become an annual event – Christmas Jumper day! On **Thursday 21st** we would like to encourage everyone to wear a Christmas jumper on this day to celebrate and engage in our customary community spirit. We are incredibly proud of the generosity our students and families have shown our wider community when asked for donations to the local food bank in previous years. This year, we will make a monetary donation and there will be donation points on Christmas jumper day where staff and students are able to donate £1 should they wish to do so. School uniform must be worn, apart from the jumper, which is replaced.

I would also like to take this opportunity to remind you that on Thursday 21st the school finishes early at **1.30 pm**. The school bus will arrive at **1.30 pm** for those who are on school transport. Could I please ask that, if you are picking up your child, you do so promptly.

Closure over Christmas

- Thursday 21st December is the last day of Term 2 and is Christmas jumper day. As stated above, the school closes at **1.30 pm**.
- Friday 22nd December is a staff training day and the school will be closed to students
- Monday 8th January is also a staff training day and the school will be closed to students
- ***Tuesday 9th January is the start of Term 3***

Year 11, 12 and 13 exams/mock exam

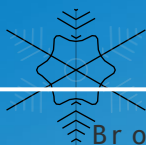
- Examinations and mock examinations will take place from Tuesday 9th January for years 11, 12 and 13. A copy of the timetables can be found on our website [Examinations - Brooke Weston Academy](#) Information and guidance for students regarding written examinations issued by JCQ, the organisation which oversees the administration of examinations in England and Wales, can be found on our website [here](#).
- It is important that students enjoy this break, but also dedicate time to study and revise in order to do well in the mocks/examinations.

It has been an incredibly successful Term 1 and 2 and I would like to wish you and your family a very happy Christmas and New Year on behalf of the staff at Brooke Weston Academy.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Shaun Strydom', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Shaun Strydom
Principal



Brooke Weston Trust

CHRISTMAS

MENU

MAIN

Roast turkey served with roast potatoes, Sage and onion stuffing, Brussel sprouts and pigs in blankets served with rich turkey gravy

May Contain: Wheat gluten (stuffing)

VEGETARIAN

Cranberry, Brie and Quorn turnovers

Contains: Gluten, egg.

DESSERTS

Homemade Christmas yule log

Contains: Gluten, Egg, Milk & Wheat

Christmas strawberry and lime Jelly

Santa's biscuits

Contains: Gluten

Festive cupcakes

Contains: Wheat, Eggs, Milk

