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Dear Parent/Carers

Christmas Holiday Information

I would like to make you aware of the arrangements for the final few days of this term. The school will close for the Christmas Holiday on **Friday 20th December** and will re-open on **Monday 6th January 2025** at the usual time. We will be returning to school on a Week 2 of the pupil timetable.

The school will close earlier on **Friday 20th December at 12.15pm**. The morning break will continue as normal. **School lunch will not be served**. Students entitled to Free Schools Meals can request and take a packed lunch from the kitchen prior to leaving. If you would like your child to receive a packed lunch on the last day please can you email Admin@HalewoodAcademy.co.uk by **Friday 13th December 2024**.

As we did last year, on **Friday 13th December**, we are asking all students to wear a Christmas item in addition to their normal school uniform. This item might include a Christmas jumper, headband, Christmas tie or socks etc. **Please note jewellery is still not to be worn**. All we ask in return for wearing an item is a small donation which we will gift to Save the Children. Students can donate on the day or through ParentPay. Students will still be expected to wear their blazer, trousers/skirts and school shoes.

Also, on Friday 13th December it will be **Christmas Dinner Day**. Students will have the choice of a Christmas Dinner or Cold Meal (sandwiches, pasta pots etc.)

As a school we will also be hosting some events to get you into the Christmas spirit; more details will follow in the coming weeks via the Newsletter and Social Media, but please save the dates below:

- **Tuesday 17th December – Halewood Town Hall Christmas Concert** will be taking place in school from 6pm – 8pm. Our own pupils, along with local community choirs and Asa Murphy will be performing throughout the night. Tickets will be on sale shortly.
- **Thursday 19th December – Christmas Showcase**
Our Performing Arts Department are currently coordinating a Christmas Showcase (6pm – 7.30pm) which will no doubt be a fitting way to end our term with performances from pupils and staff. More details to follow, but save the date for what will be a great night!

I look forward to the remaining few weeks of this half term and your ongoing support in ensuring pupils are maximising every opportunity available to them.

Yours faithfully

Mr I Critchley
Executive Principal