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Dear Parents/Carers,

## IT'S CHRISTMAS!!! (nearly)

To those of you who are new to Moor House this academic year – I hope that your child (and you) are settling into the Moor House way of life and beginning to understand all of the things that we do here, which are not just about the academic or the therapies. To those of you who are not newbies, as you know Christmas is a big thing here at Moor House. We try to embrace this time of year with lots of activities throughout December. So, to help you all with your planning and understanding what will be happening in Moor House School & College, I am attaching a [Christmas Countdown](#), which shows the focus for each activity during December.

### Christmas Countdown

All activities mentioned in the Countdown are held on site and therefore you will not have to do anything but be on the look-out for the following:

- **1<sup>st</sup> December – wear something festive (this is also the [Hamper Making](#) and [Christmas Fair](#))**
- **4<sup>th</sup> December – bring in pyjamas (click [here](#) for letter)**
- **11<sup>th</sup> December – bring in a food donation for the local food bank**
- **14<sup>th</sup> December – wear your best festive outfit – elf explanatory 🧝**

### Christmas Fair

As you can see from the Countdown, we will be starting our celebrations with the **Christmas Fair on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December**. Festivities will commence from 1.15pm to 2.30pm after which you are welcome to take your child home at the end of the Fair if you sign them out from the Sports Hall. The stalls will be manned by school students in their tutor groups who will be selling items that they have made or games to win small prizes and all are welcome to come along. College students will be serving Christmassy refreshments.



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I believe a separate email has gone out from the PSA with regard to donations for the hampers and also a request for help to make them; please do respond as these hampers are very popular and raise valuable funds for the school. We also need any sweets and chocolate items – NO NUTS please. There is also a non-uniform day on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November when students can wear their own clothes if they have brought in a donation for the Fair.

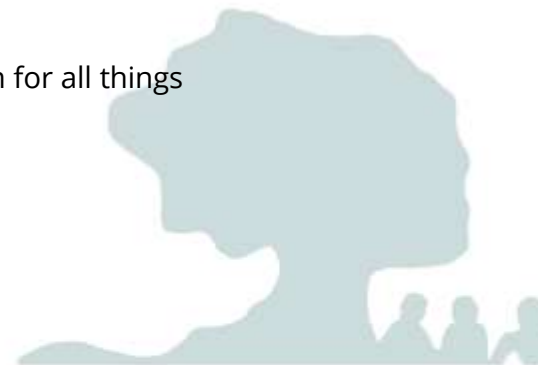
### **Christmas Performance/Last Day**

The last day of the autumn term will be **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December, 2023**. On this day, all students are to come into school at the usual time. **College students** will remain at Moor House in tutor groups for the entire morning when they will have their own celebrations and not be attending the church. **School students** will have time in their tutor rooms to begin with and then we will go to *St. Johns Church, Hurst Green, Oxted, RH8 9EA* for our Christmas Celebration. This celebration will begin at 10.30am. Family members are welcome but please note that there is limited seating. We will shortly be sending out a google doc to confirm your attendance. There will be no parking on the Moor House site however, there is parking in Holland Sports Ground and some spaces at the church. The performance will finish at 12.00pm at which point all School students will be returning to school. The day will end at **12.30pm** for both **School and College**. Please inform your taxi company of this change to the end of the school day. We ask that you do not request to take your child early from the church as there will be no facility to sign them out from there and no exceptions will be granted. The reason for this is that we do not have the larger rooms at the church this year so students will not be able to bring any belongings to church and therefore will need to return to school to collect all of their items before departing for the Christmas break. **ALL students need to be signed out in the usual way. If you do not usually collect your child, please sign them out from main reception.**

*We do understand that not all of our students celebrate Christmas, so for these students there will be different activities. If you have concerns about this please do contact me.*

Thanking you in advance for your participation and enthusiasm for all things Christmas!

**Kind regards,  
Stephanie Williams,  
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DDSL, Head of Literacy**



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