



Thornhill Academy

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14 December 2021

Dear Parent or Carer,

As we move towards the end of term, I would like to update you with arrangements for the end of this term and the start of the Spring term.

End of term arrangements

Term finishes on Friday 17th December 2021. At the request of the school council, this will be a non-uniform day, where students are encouraged to wear a festive item of clothing, such as a Christmas jumper, however this is not essential. There will be a voluntary contribution of £1, which will go towards [Oliver's Fight Against Neuroblastoma](#).

Students will have lunch in school and will be dismissed from 1.15pm.

Can I also remind you all that the following attendance reward draws, namely the iPad for attendance over 96% for this half term (October 25th – December 17th 2021) and the £25 Amazon vouchers draws for 100% attendance for every school day in December, will also be drawn on Friday.

Start of Spring term arrangements

We will need to have a staggered start to the return to school in January. This is to enable us to complete COVID testing on site as per the latest government guidance. Only students who have been given consent to have Lateral Flow Testing on the Academy site will be tested on their return. All students in each Year Group are to return on the dates and times listed below. Students are to assemble in the LRC using the yard entrance. Further directions will be given on their arrival.

	Tuesday 4 January	Wednesday 5 January	Thursday 6 January
8:40am	Year 7	Year 10	Year 9
10:30am	Year 11	Year 8	

Due to the change in COVID guidance we would request that any parent or carer wishing to give consent to their child being tested on their return to complete the Microsoft Form linked here:

<https://forms.office.com/r/3Xf6w43DAR>

If you have any issues accessing the form please email us at enquiries@thornhillacademy.com.

May I also take this opportunity to wish you all the best for the festive season. We look forward to the New Year and new term with everything we will do and achieve together.

Thank you for your ongoing support of our school and your children, it is very much appreciated and never taken for granted.

Kind regards

Sue Hamilton

(Headteacher)