

Monday 17 December 2018

Dear Parent/Carer

Thank you for your continued support this term, especially to those of you who posted your views onto Parent View during our recent Ofsted inspection. Your positivity, enthusiasm, encouragement and support was mirrored by Ofsted, resulting in our most successful inspection to date.

Our high expectations and standards were a particular strength of our school. Thank you to all parents, carers who ensure their child / children attend St Aidan's with appropriate hairstyles / cuts, in correct uniform and are without facial piercings or jewellery.

Attendance and punctuality are still a major focus of the school and continue to improve.

It is with a great deal of deliberation that I have decided to fully ban mobile phones from 7 January 2019. Phones may be kept in lockers. However, if seen around school will be confiscated. Parents/Carers are permitted to collect mobile phones between 3.00pm – 4.00pm only. Mobile phones will not be returned to students.

I'd like to inform you of an incredible final week planned for our students.

As a reward to our students for their contribution to date, we would like to invite them to join their Tutor and Head of Year for a complimentary Christmas lunch which will take place in the Academy on **Tuesday 18 December**. Please note, this is not compulsory and if your son/daughter does not wish to have Christmas lunch they may bring in a packed lunch to eat at this time.

During this week, students will also be involved in a range of enterprise activities with their year group, creating products to sell as part of our community fundraising scheme on **Thursday 20 December**.

We would like to warmly invite parents, carers and members of the community to attend our St. Aidan's Christmas Market, where you will be able to purchase products made by your son/daughter. The market place will be held in the atrium from **10:30am until 12:00pm**.

Both students and visitors are welcome to wear their Christmas jumper to the Academy on Thursday 20 December.

May we take this opportunity to wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Yours faithfully,



Principal