



Friday 8th December 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we approach the end of another successful term we have enjoyed sensational nativities with the Early Years and Year 1 and 2 last week and the Upper School Christmas service on Wednesday. These demonstrated wonderful performances from all and was a joyous way to start our Christmas festivities.

This year's Christmas Fayre was a great success with children and adults all enjoying the afternoon and early evening. A big thanks to all parent helpers, led by the FOW team of Natasha Arghiros and Wilson Fernandez, ensuring an enjoyable evening as the event turned out to be a great success. As always Mrs Mack was instrumental in helping organise and inspiring our event and my thanks go out to her.

We all appreciate the work that Friends of Windlesham carry out to raise money that benefit the children here. Thus far they have supported the children by subsidising a flamenco dancing, which was part of European Day of languages, and we have earmarked money to towards a maths workshops in the spring term. All of our pupils were able to enjoy Christmas school discos this week, which were courtesy of Friends of Windlesham. Larger scale funding projects will be discussed very early on in the New Year.

I will be announcing and actioning the Headmasters promises directly after Christmas following the bids that were made at the Christmas Fair. It does give me great pleasure in announcing that Mrs Moore was successful in securing the position of Windlesham Head for a day. I look forward to introducing Mrs Moore as your 'Head for a day' in the spring term, when the weather will allow her to experience the very best activities that Windlesham has to offer.

Our preloved uniform sale was a huge success last week and my thanks go to Abi Dier and Clare Ward who very kindly organised this sale. We will schedule another sale for the latter part of the spring term (please check the calendar that will be with you soon and details in my letter towards the end of the Christmas break).

It is with mixed emotions that I must share some news regarding Mrs Elenie Card, who has been integral parts of our teaching team for 8 years. Mrs Card will be departing from Windlesham at the end of this term. Her contributions, commitment, and passion for education have left an indelible mark on our community, and while we are saddened to bid her farewell, we are immensely grateful for her invaluable service and wish Mrs Card the very best in her future endeavours. We look forward to welcoming Mrs Petronella to the Year 4 team in January.

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## **School communication**

I will be sending out an update with a slight change to school communication towards the end of the Christmas holiday in preparation for the start February. The Spring Term will commence on Wednesday 3rd January 2024.

As always, I thank you for your support for the school this term. I must also extend my deepest appreciation to our exceptional staff whose commitment to nurturing the children's talents is truly commendable. Their hard work and passion for teaching have been integral to the successes we've witnessed throughout the term.

I hope you enjoy our digital Windlesham Christmas card which includes a wonderful Santa pencil drawing by Jack in year 5. Thank you Jack!

May I take this opportunity to wish you a wonderful, restful and safe Christmas and a happy New Year.

Kind regards,

**David Leggett** 

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Headmaster