

JCM/jr
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Dear Parents/Guardians

Re: Year 9 - End of Term

As we approach the end of 2022, we just wanted to write to send our best wishes to you all ahead of the Christmas Holidays.

Your support throughout the start of this first term of Year 9 has been extremely helpful in assisting our young people throughout this productive term, so thank you!

The year group saw the start of their Pathways, an intimidating but exciting opportunity to study the subject specialisms they have looked forward to studying. While we know a large number of the cohort have taken to their courses fantastically, we understand that for others there is apprehension, therefore we would recommend that we spend the Christmas break having a well and truly deserved rest.

Year 9 have made the most of the extra-curricular opportunities that have been offered this term, whether that be Hampshire Cup football, the Mary Poppins school production or signing up for the Duke of Edinburgh Award.

Well done to those putting themselves forward for the Photography and Art Department Challenges, the new 'Anti-Bullying Ambassadors' team, the Rotary Club Cooking competitions and the Dance Live events. Our entire year team has been incredibly proud to see how much you push and challenge yourselves!

Mr Morrison, our Assistant DoPA wished to share a few words too...

"I would like to extend a huge congratulations to all students in Year 9 for representing our year group in such a high standard. It has been wonderful to share in the start of your pathway journeys, especially having known the majority of you since Year 7. It makes me very proud to see the way you have grown and continue to develop as learners and as people. Thanks so much for all your hard work and for all support from home. I hope you enjoy the festive period however you choose to spend it and look forward to seeing you all in January. "

A big well done to Year 9 for all their hard work and we look forward to seeing them refreshed on their return in January 2023. However you are celebrating I wish you all a Merry Christmas, a fantastic New Year and look forward to our continued partnership next calendar year.

Yours faithfully

Mrs J Marshall
Director of Progress and Achievement – Year 9