

Dear Parents & Carers,

I write to you at the end of a long and busy half term but one that has been far less interrupted than the same half term last year.

Good News

The students at Heron Hall have been busy consolidating their learning from the last year and making good progress towards their end of year targets and I must commend them for their hard work and dedication.

During this half term this has been recognised with a Peer Review of the school which took place in November where the school was rated as Leading [Outstanding] in all categories. I am always excited about the outstanding progress being made here at Heron Hall.

End of Term Arrangements – Thursday 16th December

Friday 17th December is a staff INSET day so students will not be required to be onsite.

This means that the final day of term this year is **Thursday 16th December** and on this day **students will be finishing at 12.15pm**. This means that they will be dismissed from Heron Hall from **12.15pm** with those who need to get lunch being provided a grab and go packed lunch to take home with them.

If you collect your child, please be at Belling Crescent at 12.15pm but remember to be mindful of the local residents and park in the Tesco Car Park rather than outside the neighbouring houses.

Student behaviour in the local area has, on the whole, been positive this academic year and we hope this continues on the last day of term. If students walk home alone then please ensure they do so quickly and without incident.

Christmas Jumper Day

On **Friday 10th December** we will be partaking in the annual Christmas Jumper day. This is a time to get in the festive spirit and staff and students will be encouraged to come in wearing a Christmas jumper. Students must wear the rest of their school uniform but can wear a Christmas jumper over the top of their shirt. If students do not wear the rest of their uniform, including their blazer, they may face a sanction.

Students who wish to donate money can do so with the funds going to Save the Children. In the past fundraising events at Heron Hall have helped to raise hundreds of pounds for charity.

Winter Concert

Heron Hall's fantastic music department have put together a Winter Concert which will be held on Wednesday 15th December in the main hall. The doors open at 6pm and the music begins at 6.30pm with tickets costing £3 per adult and £1 per child. Spaces will be limited due to social distancing so make sure you get yours early.



I want to take this final opportunity to thank you all for your help and support over the last 4 months and we look forward to welcoming students back in January ready for another busy & eventful half term.

Have a great Christmas if you are celebrating and I hope that you are able to spend time with your family and get some rest and relaxation.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Arthur Barzey'.

Arthur Barzey
Head Teacher