



# St. Joseph's RC High School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

### **Re: End of term message**

The Christmas holiday is almost here and, as always, it seems not very long ago since I was welcoming everyone back after the summer break. It has been a very busy and extremely productive term and even though we are still in a global pandemic there have been many highlights for me this term, too many to mention here. However, if you have not had an opportunity to read our Autumn term school newsletter, Insight, please see the attached to enjoy reading about all the events and activities that have taken place this term. What I can say is how overwhelmed I have been with how hard students and staff have worked this term, and how supportive you as parents and carers have been of your children's education.

Every day, I continue to be inspired by our students and my colleagues and all that they do together to make St Joseph's RC High School such a magical place to work at. I am constantly reminded of what a wonderful community this is, and of the remarkable things our children are capable of. As always, thank you for your great support, it is very much appreciated.

Our Catholic values and traditions are the glue of our school, the things that bind us together as one family during this special time of Advent. It is my wish that over the holidays, you can carry out your own family traditions, spending time together and creating happy memories. Our world moves at a tremendously fast pace, and it is important to take time to slow down and simply enjoy the company of yourself and others; the Christmas holiday is the ideal opportunity to do this.

For those of you who follow us on social media, you will have seen a recent post that this term, staff and pupils in the RE department, Music department and Drama department have been working incredibly hard to prepare and rehearse for items for the 2021 virtual Advent Service. For the last few weeks, the pupils have been most excited about coming together to perform and record the musical items as a large ensemble. If you have not yet had an opportunity to view it, please click [here](#) to go to the SJHS YouTube channel to watch the full service.

Finally, the school will be closed to staff and students from 3.30pm on Thursday 16th December.

On behalf of the staff and Governing Body, I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very merry Christmas filled with the love, joy and peace that comes at Christmas through the birth of our Saviour, Jesus Christ. I hope that you will experience the good will towards human beings on whom God's favour rests. My prayer to you is that blessed as we may be, we will be given grace to remember the vulnerable and those less fortunate than ourselves.

Yours sincerely,

**Mrs Jarrett**

**Headteacher**

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