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Head Teacher's Weekly Update

Dear Families,

This week we have celebrated the first week of Advent here in school. The first candle in our Advent wreath has been lit in assemblies this week, symbolising hope. It's been wonderful to reflect on the hopes we have for ourselves, our loved ones and across our school community.



Our focus for the second week of Advent will be peace.

Culture and Behaviour at St Wilfrid's

This term, pupils have been developing a secure understanding of our St Wilfrid's Way behaviour curriculum that was shared with families in October. As we continue to build our school culture, we are making some changes to our behaviour policy. Further details of this will be shared with families next week.

Can I please take this opportunity to remind all families of our high expectations of attendance, uniform and behaviour as we approach the end of term. Thank you, as ever, for your continued support.

PSHE Achievement Awards



All year, our pupils have been working incredibly hard on their personal, social, health and economic education. This week, we have had the pleasure of celebrating their many achievements. Pupils from different year groups were nominated by their teachers for their excellent effort and contributions in their PSHE lessons. We are so proud of their excellent attitudes to learning in this subject.

Further information about our PSHE curriculum can be found on our school website: [PSHE Curriculum](#)

Last Week of Term Arrangements

With the Christmas holidays quickly approaching, I wish to share with you a brief overview of our plans for the final week of term:

- We will be highlighting the exceptional efforts of our pupils with celebration assemblies throughout the week.
- Christmas Lunch will be served on the final Thursday of term. Pupils will be able to enjoy their Christmas Lunch together; a small selection of other options will also be available.
- In addition, Thursday the 19th of December will be our Christmas jumper day. Pupils can wear a Christmas jumper or other Christmas item in addition to their normal school uniform.
- On Friday the 20th of December, we will have our end of term services before an early finish at 12:10.
- Scholars' buses will arrive early to collect pupils.

Christmas Holiday activity and Food Events

From Saturday the 21st of December until Friday the 3rd of January, there will be a range of activities on offer for young people in our local community. As well as free activities, there are also nutritious meals on offer for children and young people in South Tyneside [aged between 5-16 years] who are eligible for free school meals. These activities are funded by the Department of Education and more information can be found by clicking the following link: www.southtyneside.gov.uk/holidayclub

If you have any queries or your child requires any support, please do not hesitate to get in touch with our Heads of House:

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Best Wishes,



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