



Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

## Weekly Update

My thanks to all who added to George, Josh and Luke's fundraising total for their 24-hour Le Mans challenge. I'm delighted to share that they have now beaten their £1000 [JustGiving](#) target – what an amazing achievement!

## Year 11 Parents' Meetings & Early School Closure – Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December

Another reminder that Year 11 have their parents' meetings on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December and that school will finish for all students at 12.20pm to facilitate this.

The E1, E2 and E3 buses have been rearranged for the earlier time, however, we cannot rearrange other shared bus services (so these services will leave at 3.30pm and, therefore, you may need to make alternative travel arrangements).

For parents that require it, we will be able to offer childcare provision until 2.55pm. Please email [jrimmer@emmbrook.wokingham.sch.uk](mailto:jrimmer@emmbrook.wokingham.sch.uk) by end of Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December to notify us that we shouldn't release your child until 2.55pm.

## PTA Chocolate Tombola

As advised earlier in the week, following the cancellation of the Winter Carnival the Chocolate Tombola is relocating to Wokingham Market from 9 to 2.30pm tomorrow. My thanks to all who donated. Miss Beasley's form, 10H, won the form competition for the most donations so they will have their own bonus non-uniform day.

## Wokingham Borough Council Transport

- WBC would like to find out parents' views about how they allocate spare seats on our school buses and so have created a survey for families of students in Years 7-10. If you'd like to participate then you can do so via [this link](#). The survey will close on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December.
- WBC have also asked us to share [this video](#) with our parents and carers to raise awareness of e-scooters (in terms of safety and riding) so that you can make informed decisions on whether to buy one for your child at Christmas. A key point they want to share is that it's illegal to ride scooters at present on highways (and pavements), and they can only legally be ridden on private land or as part of an organised trial (and Wokingham is not taking part in a trial at present).



## Sixth Form Applications Open

We have received a record number of applications for Sixth Form. If your child is yet to apply then they will have an email with the link. For any other queries, please contact Mr Constable, Mr Whitehouse, or Mrs Panesar for help:

- Mr Constable (Head of Sixth Form) – [dconstable@emmbrook.wokingham.sch.uk](mailto:dconstable@emmbrook.wokingham.sch.uk)
- Mr Whitehouse (Assistant Headteacher) – [pwhitehouse@emmbrook.wokingham.sch.uk](mailto:pwhitehouse@emmbrook.wokingham.sch.uk)
- Mrs Panesar (Assistant Headteacher) – [lpansar@emmbrook.wokingham.sch.uk](mailto:lpansar@emmbrook.wokingham.sch.uk)

## Flu Vaccinations

A final reminder to please sign and return the consent forms on time so your children do not miss out on the flu vaccinations that will be provided to our students on Wednesday.

## Christmas Concert

This year's Christmas Concert will take place at St. Paul's Church, Wokingham on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December starting at 7.00 pm. More information to follow soon.

## The Wizard of Oz – A Panto!

This year's Christmas production will be The Wizard of Oz – A Panto! Performances will be held at 6.30pm on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December.

## Christmas Dinner Day

This year's Christmas dinner will take place on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December. The price is £3.80 (there's no charge for students who receive free school meals). Tutors will begin collecting names next week and you will need to ensure that your child has enough money in their account (or ApplePay, etc) on the day.

I hope you have a brilliant weekend!

Best wishes,

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