



29 November 2023

Dear Parent/Carer,

Merry Kingmas Day – Thursday 21 December 2023

As the festive season fast approaches, I would like to take this opportunity to provide you with information about our 'Merry Kingmas Day' scheduled for the last day of term, **Thursday 21 December 2023**.

Once again, we will be encouraging all staff and students to wear a Christmas jumper to raise funds for The Prince of Wales Hospice. Please note, this is **not** a full non-uniform day. All students are expected to wear their regular school uniform and those taking part in the fundraising will be allowed to wear a combination of the following items in return for a minimum £1 donation:

- Novelty Christmas hat/headband
- Christmas Jumper
- Christmas socks

If students wish to take part, we kindly request a £1 donation via MCAS. Additionally, families wishing to make an extra contribution to the Prince of Wales Hospice can select options on MCAS to donate £2, £5 or £10, with these payment choices now available. Alternatively, students can bring their £1 donation and submit it to their Form Tutor.

I would like to emphasise the importance of attendance on this day, as learning activities will be in full swing. However, students can look forward to engaging in festive-themed activities during social times. To add to the holiday cheer, our Christmas dinner will be offered to staff and students on Merry Kingmas Day too. This provides an opportunity for students to enjoy Christmas music and celebrate the successful end to the term with their friends. Students will be selecting their food choices during form time this week.

In the spirit of supporting our local community, we will also be conducting a tin and basic toiletries collection to benefit Pontefract Community Kitchen. If you can spare any tins, jars, packets of dried food, or basic toiletries, kindly send them in with your child. Donations can be made during form time to their Form Tutor by **Wednesday 13 December 2023**.

Thank you once again for your continued support, and may I take this opportunity to wish you and your families a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Yours faithfully

Mrs E Phelan
Assistant Headteacher