



Smithdon High School
Mrs A Gibbins
Headteacher
Downs Road, Hunstanton
Norfolk PE36 5HY
Telephone: 01485 534541
e-mail: office@smithdonhigh.org.uk
website: www.smithdonhigh.org.uk

Ref: AGi/LT

10 December 2024

Dear parents

As the end of term approaches we wanted to write to explain to you some changes in the coming weeks at Smithdon:

First, our end of term rewards celebrations: the end of each term marks an opportunity for us to reward and celebrate our students and their achievements. We are currently reviewing the way we organise these celebrations and how we improve them. In the short term, our end of term, morning assemblies will still take place to reward and celebrate success, however **for now these will be only for students**. Once we have reviewed our approach to these, parents will be invited to attend in the future.

Second, our staffing structure. Ms Bazeley-Smith's temporary role as Primary SENDCo has been extended, meaning that she will continue to be at Smithdon High School on a Tuesday only. As a result, Mr Ward is picking up more elements of the safeguarding responsibilities. To support him with this increasing workload, while Ms Bazeley-Smith's temporary role continues, **Mr Johnson will be taking over the Assistant Headteacher leadership role for Year 10 and working with Miss Green to support Year 10 students**.

We also want to take this opportunity to inform you of other events to look forward to at the end of this term.

- This Thursday (12 December) is our annual Christmas Concert at Hunstanton Town Hall from 6pm;
- We have our Christmas lunches on Thursday 19 December. We have managed to secure the elements of the lunch to keep this at the normal cost of a daily meal (£2.40);
- Our Christmas jumper day is on the final day of term (20 December 2024). Students are invited to wear a Christmas jumper in place of their blazer or accessorise their normal school uniform with something Christmassy. This is for a suggested donation of £1 and all money raised will go towards the Save The Children fund;
- Finally, the last day of term (20 December) is also the Year 7 trip to the Pantomime at The Princess Theatre.

We hope you have a good couple of weeks leading up to the holiday and a lovely Christmas break. We look forward to seeing the students again when we all return to school on Tuesday 7 January 2025.

Best wishes.

Yours sincerely

A. Gibbins

Mrs A Gibbins
Headteacher

