



December 2023

Dear parent,

Final Week of Autumn Term 2023

As we enter the final week of the Autumn term, we would like to share with you some key dates and important information about the final day of term and first day back in January. I would also like to thank staff and students for their hard work throughout the Autumn both in and out of lessons.

Over the course of the term around 100 co-curricular activities have taken place outside of lessons, the success of these is down to staff going the extra mile to provide such a wide range of activities and clubs, but also students' enthusiasm to take up these opportunities and make them so vibrant.

Only this week we have seen over one hundred students and many staff work hard to deliver four sell-out performances of this year's production Shrek, culminating in the last performance tonight. It has been wonderful to see such a diverse range of students taking on a range of roles from performing roles in the play to backstage, lighting, sound and front of house. The quality of performance is nothing short of outstanding and we thank parents and friends for their support with this. We also thank everyone for their contributions to this year's charity foodbank drive and we will be delivering all those generous donations directly to the Trussell Trust foodbank in Daybrook in time for Christmas. Finally, I would like to remind you of our annual Christmas Carol concert at St Paul's Church Daybrook on Wednesday 20th December. Please book your tickets in advance as it is a very popular event.

Arrangements for the final day of term: Friday 22nd December 2023

School will be closing on Friday 22nd December at lunchtime. Students are allowed to leave at 12:20pm after Period 3 but are welcome to stay for lunch and leave after this. If for any reason you wish your child to remain in school that afternoon, provision will be made for them to be supervised until 3:05pm. Lunch can also be provided in the New Dining Hall on request. Please contact the main office if you would like to make use of either of these provisions. **Students will return to the Academy on Thursday 4th January.**

Finally, I would like to thank all staff, students and parents for all your support. The Redhill Culture of high aspirations is one in which everyone is an individual with unique talents. We are working together with shared values, so that all our students can be given the opportunities to reach their full potential both in and out of the classroom. I would also like to wish everyone an enjoyable and restful break and look forward to seeing you all in the new year.

Mr M Hardy
Headteacher