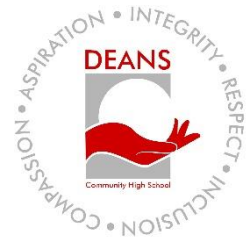


# Parent Update

10 December 2021



Dear Parents and Carers

## **Christmas Lunch**

Christmas lunch will be on the menu in the school dining hall on Tuesday next week at a cost of £2.20 and this will be a set menu (with trimmings) of either turkey, steak pie or vegetarian option. Given some of the restrictions we are operating under, students can still order cold lunch using the app however only the Christmas lunch will be available to buy on the day without pre-ordering through the app. Students should ensure that they do not use up the money on their lunch cards at morning break if they want to buy a Christmas lunch.

## **Morrisons Community Champion**

Our local supermarket, Morrisons, have an allocated community champion who has been working with the school to identify ways in which they can help our students and their families. For the Christmas period, this has included provide food and gifts. Our thanks go to Morrisons for understanding our community so well and providing much needed help during what is proving to be a very difficult time for so many.

## **12 Days of Christmas Performances**

Students have been getting us into the Christmas spirit within music this week by performing popular Christmas pieces and posting videos of these for us all to enjoy. In the absence of our much loved Christmas concerts, these are a welcome reminder of how many talented young people we have at Deans. Links to the performances are being posted on Twitter and can also be found on the school website.

## **PE**

PE is a compulsory part of our young people's curriculum as well as providing huge benefits to physical and mental health. As pupils must attend school in full school uniform each day, a complete change of clothing is required each time they attend PE (including appropriate foot-wear for the activity). If a pupil forgets to bring PE kit we have a wide range of clean clothing available to borrow to avoid missing out on learning. Any families requiring assistance in acquiring appropriate PE kit should contact the school.

As always, many thanks for your continued support and I hope that you and your family remain safe and well.

Pauline Allison  
Head Teacher

### **Reminder of Covid 19 Protocols**

As you are aware, with the return of our pupils and staff to school, we have put procedures in to place that support all members of the school community if anyone displays symptoms of Covid 19.

A reminder that the symptoms are:

- High temperature or fever
- A new continuous cough
- A loss of, or change in sense of smell or taste

If a pupil displays symptoms, we will contact you to collect your child (please ensure that we have your most up to date contact details). **Pupils over the age of 16 may return home themselves.** The pupil should, if possible, wear a face covering en route and avoid public transport.

You will be asked to follow Test and Protect protocols, including booking a PCR test for your child and contacting the school when the result comes through to you.

***If anyone within your household tests positive for Covid 19, please do not send your child to school. Report their absence and the reason for this by calling PSA in the morning. You should then book a PCR test for your child and contact the school again when the result comes through. We can then advise you of the next steps to take.***