

14th December 2015

Dear Parents/Carers

We have had a busy half term since we last wrote to you. It has been lovely to talk to so many parents during our parental forums and at other school events please let school know if you would like to speak to either of us, on the phone or face to face in the New Year. We believe that it is the strong relationship between home and school that can really develop Canon Lee further.

It was lovely to see so many parents, carers and members of the community supporting the very successful Christmas Fair organised by the flourishing Friends of Canon Lee. The Fair raised over £1,300 and this means that the Friends of Canon Lee have been successful in acquiring enough funds to purchase a defibrillator to be housed within school.

Obviously since the latest Ofsted report we have been working very hard to continue with the improvements to move the school forward, the development of basic expectations and the importance of the planner has been at the heart of this and we thank you for your support with this moving forward into the new year.

Please be assured that the staff, governors and Local Authority are working hard in partnership to make sure that Canon Lee continues to improve and there are strict monitoring processes in place to check progress.

We are tightening up the school day, and as a result will be removing the afternoon tutor time, to allow students to be registered in their period 5 classroom, removing afternoon registration will cause less disruption for students and allow a more smooth transition into the afternoon lesson. There is no change to the start and end of the school day, and will not affect the length of the student's break or lunchtime. The schools electronic registration system is now fully embedded and therefore we are able to fully monitor the attendance of students in the afternoon. This will take effect from January 2016.

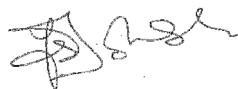
This half term all the pupils had a motivational speech from Peter Rosengard, well known insurance guru and the founder of the Comedy Store. He was very impressed with our students and made a £200 donation to our Young Enterprise group and has taken some of their Christmas stock to place in Claridges Hotel in London!

We wish you a happy and festive Christmas break, and look forward to the students and staff returning refreshed in the New Year.

Yours faithfully



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Mrs F Johnston
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