



# THE ECCLESBOURNE SCHOOL

*'Learning Together For The Future'*

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## End of Term – 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

School finishes for the Christmas holidays at **2.40 on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December**. All school bus companies have been informed as to the earlier finishing time and booked to arrive early, but if any parents or carers need us to supervise their children until the usual end of day at 3.40 then please let us know by calling Reception and we will look after them in the School Library until then.

### Year 11 and Year 13 Mock Examinations

The January Mock Examinations take place from **Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> January**. The Mock Examinations play an important role in providing a true indication of the likely grades each student will achieve in their GCSEs and A Levels this summer. In addition, the mock grades will form an integral part of the targeted teaching and support we will provide to students as they prepare for their final exams. Students have been given their Mock Examination Timetables. They have been working hard on revision and we wish them the very best in the upcoming exams.

### Traffic around School

The school is situated in a residential neighbourhood. The roads around the school are not designed to take a large volume of traffic. You will know just how busy the approaches to the school become around the start and end of the day. In the interests of health and safety we must insist that parents who are dropping off or collecting students from School by car do not park on or near the bus bay or enter the car park without prior agreement. Please encourage your child to use the designated exits and crossing. If you feel you have no option but to drop off or pick up your child by car then please seek to park at a distance from the school in order to keep Wirksworth Road and Park Road as clear as possible for the children walking to or from home and for the school buses. In particular, we would request that car engines are not left running whilst waiting.

### Lost Property

At the end of this term any unclaimed PE kit lost property will be passed on to the PE Department. Students who believe there may be an item belonging to them in Lost Property should report to Student Reception to reclaim it before the end of the day Thursday, 21<sup>st</sup> December.

On behalf of everyone here at school I would like to wish you a happy Christmas and a restful holiday.

Yours sincerely,

James McNamara  
Head Teacher