

19 November 2025

Dear Parent/ Carer

### **Christmas Events and Support**

We are writing to you regarding our Christmas Events and support available for families from the School. We hope that this is useful to help you plan over the next month.

#### **Collaborative Music Concerts – Tuesday 2 December**

On Tuesday 2 December we will be hosting two music concerts at The Hamble School in the Main Hall. The first concert, which starts at 5pm, will include the Choirs and Musicians from local primary schools and The Hamble School. The second concert which just involves musicians from The Hamble School will take place at 7pm. Tickets for both concerts are priced at £3.50 and are available on TicketSource: <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/the-hamble-school-events> Please note that the PTA will be supporting these concerts and items such as drinks and snacks will be available on the night.

#### **Parent Coffee Morning – Wednesday 3 December**

Following the success of our previous coffee mornings, we will be hosting a Christmas Coffee Morning. This is a great way for Parent/ Carers to connect with each other, share experiences, learn new skills/tools and relax. We will provide free tea, coffee and Mince Pies. Free resources and leaflets will also be distributed. These sessions are run by our Child and Family Support worker, Mrs Smith. The Christmas Coffee Morning is on Wednesday 3 December at 10:00am-11am. Please sign up here, if you would like to attend: [Christmas Coffee Morning - Wednesday 3 December 10am – Fill in form](#)

#### **Christmas Lunches – 9, 10 & 11 December**

A reminder that we are offering the opportunity for students to enjoy a Christmas lunch on 9, 10 or 11 December. The menu options, further details and payment information will be outlined in a separate letter which will be emailed home later in the week.

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### **Community Carols – Wednesday 17 December**

We would like to invite all Parents/ Carers and members of the community to attend 'Community Carols' with their son/ daughter on **Wednesday 17 December at 3:30pm**. This will be an opportunity for the school community to get together and celebrate the festive season. We will provide free refreshments. It is anticipated that the event to last for 30 minutes. Please sign up here if you would like to attend: [Community Carols - Wednesday 17 December - 3:30pm – Fill in form](#)

### **Christmas Jumper Day – Friday 12 December**

On Friday 12 December students are invited to take part in a Christmas Jumper Day to raise money for Save the Children. As a school, we aim to instil the importance of thinking of others less fortunate than ourselves, and believe that this is a great way to support this fantastic charity.

If your child would like to take part, they can attend school in a Christmas jumper with smart-casual clothes. We do not want Parents/ Carers to go to the expense of buying a Christmas jumper just for this occasion, so if your child does not have a Christmas jumper, they are still welcome to take part by wearing other smart-casual clothes (non-school uniform). Please be aware that normal expectations with regards to jewellery and make up still apply.

We are asking students to make a £1 donation in order to take part in this event. All money will go to Save the Children. Save the Children help to make sure every child, no matter where they're born, has essentials like food, water and a safe place to sleep at night, and ultimately will ensure children can go on to make their mark on the world.

We are also accepting donations towards the food bank, if you would prefer to contribute to supporting this cause rather than giving £1.

Please be aware that the official Christmas Jumper Day is Thursday 11 December, however we will be running The Hamble School version on Friday 12 December. I do hope that you will encourage your child to take part but there is no obligation to do so.

### **Year 7 Only – Grandparents Christmas Event – Friday 5 December**

We would like to invite Grandparents (or another suitable family member) to a Year 7 Christmas celebration event on **Friday 5 December at 1:00pm-2:30pm**. There will be an opportunity to listen to our musicians play some Christmas music, get involved in making Christmas crafts and enjoy some refreshments. It is also a great chance for Grandparents to find out what the Year 7s have been doing in their first term at secondary school.

This is free event but we would ask that you complete the form here: [Grandparents Event - Friday 5 December 2025 - 1pm – Fill in form](#) on behalf of the Grandparent(s) attending by **Monday 1 December**. On the day of the event Grandparents should meet in reception and our Prefects will meet them to escort them to the venue for this event.

## **Food Bank**

The Food Bank will be open in the Skills Centre on Thursday 18 December at 3:15pm-4:15pm. If you wish to collect items from us, please can come onto site via the Satchell Lane entrance, turn right into the Skills Centre Car Park and use the door from the car park to go straight into the first classroom on the right. Our Student and Family Support Officers will be very happy to help you. If you cannot attend on this day/ time but would to reserve some food, you can complete the form here: [Community Initiatives – Fill in form](#) and we will make sure we save some for you.

## **Support for the Christmas period**

Hampshire County Council is now inviting eligible families to sign up to free school holiday activities over the upcoming winter holidays, as part of the Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) scheme.

For this winter, all children who have applied for, and are in receipt of, benefit-related free school meals (FSM) need to register with the council. By registering you will receive a unique HAF booking code that can be used to book places with any of our activity providers. By registering you will receive a unique HAF booking code that can be used to book places with any of our activity providers. To register use the following link:

[https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=tdiBPwfuF0yGnB20OQGNm\\_ZsO4rXgRRDp1D6IN\\_TcZIUNFJEU1dHMPvLTVAyMTNLQ0hSQTl5VEtOUSQIQCN0PWcu](https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=tdiBPwfuF0yGnB20OQGNm_ZsO4rXgRRDp1D6IN_TcZIUNFJEU1dHMPvLTVAyMTNLQ0hSQTl5VEtOUSQIQCN0PWcu) If you have already received a HAF booking code, you do not need to re-register. Simply use your existing unique code to book directly with a provider.

Please see below details of sites delivering HAF schemes in your local area over the winter holiday period. To find our more information and book places, please use the link here:

<https://fish.hants.gov.uk/kb5/hampshire/directory/advice.page?id=XRITDNF8hhM> Here you can search for activities and contact local providers directly to sign up to schemes. To find out more about the HAF Programme visit the connect4communities website. For queries, please email [connect4communities@hants.gov.uk](mailto:connect4communities@hants.gov.uk) in the first instance.

## **Last Day of Term**

As a reminder the last day of school before Christmas is Friday 19 December. Please be aware that the school will close at 1pm on this day.

We will also be running some Christmas Events in school through our House Team and Extra Curricular Clubs. These will be advertised in tutor and shared with you through the Weekly message.

If you would like to contact us about any of our Christmas initiatives please email [general@thehambleschool.co.uk](mailto:general@thehambleschool.co.uk)

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S Valleley'. The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a large initial 'S'.

Mrs S Valleley  
Deputy Headteacher

*If, at any time, you should require special arrangements to be made when visiting the school and/or in order to participate fully in supporting your child at school (e.g. an accessible venue for meetings, if you are a wheelchair user, assistance with translation of documents or enlarged copies of communications etc.), please do not hesitate to let us know.*