

Principal:
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Dear Parent/Carer,

The past few weeks have been very busy with lots of events in school. We are, once again, delighted with the positive attitudes of our students – your children. I have had the privilege of showing several visitors around school recently, and I couldn't be prouder of how your children interact with adults and how well they are engaging in their learning. Thank you for your continued support.

As part of our continued drive to improve home school communication, we are about to launch EduLink One. This is an online tool which will allow you to access everything you need in relation to your child and school. Please look out for the letter which will explain everything in detail. You can see a quick demonstration of this tool here: [EduLink One](#).

In order to continue to keep everyone safe from Covid, please continue to test your child twice weekly using LFD tests. We have plenty of testing kits available from the school office which your child can collect. We continue to ask your children to wear face masks in social areas and in corridors; please remember to ensure they have their own face mask every day. We continue to work with Hope Sentamu Learning Trust and the Department for Education and should there be any updates or changes we will notify you immediately.

As we approach the Christmas break we will be having a number of events in school. I hope you and your children will enjoy these events:

Friday 10 December: Christmas Jumper Day – wear a Christmas jumper or top to school with your school uniform. Donations will be given to Save the Children.

Saturday 11 December: Graham School Christmas Fair – 11.00am-1.00pm – in aid of St Catherine's Hospice

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Wednesday 15 December: Family Christmas Quiz:



GRAHAM SCHOOL
Family
CHRISTMAS
QUIZ
NIGHT

Wednesday 15th December
Doors open 6.30pm for a
7pm Prompt start (Finish about 9pm)

Tickets:- Adults £3 / Children 16 and under £1

Festive Hot Chocolate, mince pies and raffle available during the interval

Let your Christmas festivities start here!!!

Saint Catherine's
Caring for you at Hospice and Home

Friday 17 December: the final day of the term will be a non-uniform day. Donations for Save the Children will be collected. School will finish at the normal time.

Finally, I would like to focus on attendance at school. Attendance at school is of key importance to children of all ages. Whilst at school as well as making academic progress, children also benefit in many other ways. At school children form relationships with others – these can often be lifelong friendships! Children are also supported to develop life skills such as determination, resilience and empathy in preparation for their future. School presents many opportunities for children to work together and to support one another in building levels of confidence.

At Graham School we work extremely hard to develop our students and support them in every aspect of their growth and development. The link between attendance and attainment in school is clear. The more a student is in school, the more they increase their opportunity to fulfil their potential. It is your duty as a parent/carer to send your child to school. If we are concerned about your child's attendance, we will contact you and seek to work with you to support you in sending your child to school. If you need any support with sending your child to school, please contact school directly.

Thank you again for your continued support.

Yours faithfully

Emma Robins
Principal