



15 December 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

As we approach the end of term, I wanted to take the opportunity to thank you again for your support. It has been a very long term but it has been bright because of our students, your children, and their continued involvement in school both in the classroom and beyond. We have had many events this term to celebrate and much to be proud of. Thank you for sending your children to our school; we are very proud to have them as part of #TeamGraham.

The final few weeks of this term have been a true reflection of the whole term. We have enjoyed our annual Careers Fair, sporting events including a trip to watch a Champions League football match in Manchester, the final of our Masterchef competition, Year 11 mock exams and just this week our Christmas concert. In short, we all continue to work hard to offer the best possible opportunities to our students and to ensure that they 'grow at Graham'.

The concert this week epitomised our school - students from all year groups working together, rising to the challenge and enjoying themselves. It was a privilege to watch the concert - huge congratulations to everyone who was involved and a special thank you to Ms Barlow, our new music teacher who hosted the event. It was wonderful and we are already looking forward to the next musical showcase.

Today Year 7 students, and our choir, are visiting Plaxton Court, to entertain residents and to work with them to produce some Christmas Hampers for the local community. This is another great example of our growing involvement with our community and the commitment of our students to help others.

There are far too many events to mention but please do follow us on social media to keep up to date with everything. If you need any more information about any forthcoming events, trips or you have any questions at all please get in touch.

We have a good supply of preloved school uniform. If your child has outgrown their uniform or if you need an item of uniform please contact us. Ask your child to talk to Mrs Connell or contact her directly (c.connell@gra.hslt.academy) for more information. All details about our uniform are available here: [Uniform – Graham School, Scarborough | Part of the Hope Sentamu Learning Trust](#)

Earlier this term, we contacted you about appointing a parent governor. We still have a vacancy on our Local Governing Board. If you are interested and would like to know more please contact hello@gra.hslt.academy. We would love to hear from you.

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In recognition of the effort, commitment and positivity displayed this term I would like to invite any student who wishes to, to wear non-uniform on Thursday 21 December, our last day of term. Some students have requested this and it is our way of thanking them for their hard work this term.

After a long term, we are all looking forward to the break. I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a restful holiday, whether you are celebrating Christmas or not. I understand that the Christmas period can be difficult for some families but I hope there is some positivity for everyone. I also know that this opportunity to recharge batteries will be valued by everyone and we look forward to welcoming our students back in 2024. The new term will start for students on Tuesday 9 January at 8.40am, as usual. Breakfast Club is open from 8.30am and is free to all students - a great way to start the day and the new term!

Wishing you all well.

Emma Robins
Principal