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Dear parents

Thank you for your continued support of Smithdon High School this term. We have enjoyed our celebration assemblies, rewards events and Christmas festivities this week.

School return in January

While the media continues to speculate what will happen in January and the start of next term, I would like to confirm that at this time the Department for Education has made no changes to school openings, other than the in-school first test before we reopen (unless your child has had covid in the last 90 days) and the staggered start of term that we have already published and shared with you.

Obviously, we will continue to respond to the directives based on the national Covid situation and the guidance we are issued by the government and Norfolk County Council and will contact you if things do change, as soon as we have knowledge and confirmation of this.

Spring Term 2022 begins as follows:

- Monday 3 January - Bank Holiday
- Tuesday 4 January - staff INSET day
- Wednesday 5 January - **Years 7, 8 and 11** - covid testing appointments
- Thursday 6 January - **Years 7, 8 and 11 in school as normal**
- **Years 9 and 10** - covid testing appointments
- **Friday 7 January - ALL YEARS in school as normal**

Expectations

We will begin the new term reinforcing expectations, including correct uniform, appropriate hair colour, minimum jewellery, correct footwear (no trainers), etc. So please do use the holiday to replace any worn or outgrown items of uniform and shoes. (A reminder of uniform guidelines is attached)

In the meantime, we wish you and your family a peaceful and enjoyable Christmas and hope the children have a well-deserved break from all their hard work.

Yours sincerely

A. Gibbins

Mrs A Gibbins
Head of School

