



Dear Parent/Carers

As we draw this term to a close, we would like to celebrate the many successes that have taken place so far this academic year, below are just some examples of the student leadership activities which have happened since September:

- Highfield Helpers events
- Pupil Council and leadership opportunities
- Silver Surfers community project
- Blackpool Food Bank
- Remembrance event
- Children in Need
- Youth Summit UR potential
- Festive Winter Gift Programme
- Winter Warmth Collection supporting StreetLife
- Carol Service at St Mary's Church
- Christmas Tea Party at the Academy for the elderly and local community groups
- Year 9 visits to Westinghouse
- Year 9-11 Careers Convention
- Careers presentation by the British Army
- Guest speaker from Cambridge University
- Future U assemblies for Year 9-11
- Years 7-9 Young Enterprise Days
- Y10 National Citizenship Service residential
- Army Combined Cadet Force programme



Regrettably, we say goodbye to Mrs Robinson and Ms McQueen who we will miss at the school. We wish them both well in their new jobs.

We would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Alex Demetriou, an old Highfield student, who went on to become a professional ice skater after leaving school and who will be one of the skaters appearing on 'Dancing on Ice' on the 6th of January. We wish him lots of luck.

In the new year, we look forward to welcoming new staff to the school. Mr. Galbraith will be joining the senior leadership team as Associate Principal. He comes with significant leadership experience. Ms. Milhench will also be joining the team to teach mathematics and art.

The school reopens on **7<sup>th</sup> January 2019**. As usual, we expect the highest standards in uniform, attendance, punctuality and behaviour.

All at Highfield Leadership Academy wish you a peaceful Christmas and a happy and prosperous new year.

## *Important* Notices

### **Parent Evening Dates**

Please note the following dates for forthcoming parent's evenings so that you can update your calendars!

Year 11 Parents evening Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> January 4.00-7.00pm

Year 10 Parents evening Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> January 4.00-7.00pm

Year 9, 8 and 7 Parents evenings to be confirmed in the Spring term.

### **Term Dates**

7<sup>th</sup> January Academy open for all pupils

15<sup>th</sup> February Academy closes for half term

25<sup>th</sup> February Academy open for all pupils

5<sup>th</sup> April Academy closes for Easter

23<sup>rd</sup> April Academy open for all pupils

6<sup>th</sup> May Public holiday

24<sup>th</sup> May Academy closes for half term

3<sup>rd</sup> June Academy open for all pupils

18<sup>th</sup> July Academy closes for summer