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Dear Parents/Carers and Students,

As we approach the festive season, I wanted to take a moment to extend my warmest wishes to each and every one of you. I hope this letter finds you in good health and spirits as we prepare for a welldeserved break.

Reflecting on the past term, I am immensely proud to share the incredible achievements and generosity displayed by our Huxlow Academy community. Our recent Charity Week was an overwhelming success, serving as a testament to the unwavering compassion and support within our school.

Throughout Charity Week, our students and staff united in a common cause, raising funds for Save the Children and lending a helping hand to a young local boy bravely battling cancer.

The week was filled with engaging events that not only brought joy but also contributed significantly to these causes. From the lively Karaoke sessions to the entertaining "I'm a Huxlow Teacher, Get Me Out of Here" challenges, and the heart-warming Christmas Jumper Day, every activity was a celebration of unity and compassion.

Thanks to your collective efforts, we were able to make a meaningful difference in the lives of those in need. The funds raised will go a long way in supporting the invaluable work of Save the Children and offering assistance to the courageous young local boy and his family during this challenging time.

I am continuously inspired by the empathy and solidarity demonstrated by our students and staff at Huxlow Academy.

I was particularly proud of our Huxlow community working together on a new initiative to support some of our families. Fifty-eight hampers will be donated to support some identified families with nutritious food, key basic items such as shower gel and toothpaste as well as some comforting items such as blankets and hot chocolate. We all hope that these few gestures will help families to enjoy their Christmas break.

The Year 11, 12, and 13 Christmas dinner was a special highlight, where our senior students came together to create cherished memories and celebrate this festive time with their peers and teachers. This event will become an annual Huxlow tradition going forwards.

The Winter Music and Drama Showcase on Monday evening was an extraordinary display of talent and creativity. Our students showcased their dedication and hard work, leaving us mesmerised by their performances. It was a true testament to the depth of talent and commitment within our Huxlow community, and a wonderful way to bring some festive warmth to the end of a long term. The school choir also visited some local care homes to sing Christmas songs. The staff and residents were so impressed by the quality of the singing and the interactions they had with our students that they have taken the time to write to me personally to express their thanks.

Alongside these events the PE team have been running the inter-house volleyball and fitness advent calendar. Both events have been embraced by students of all year groups and the competition has been intense.

The lead up to Christmas is always busy but these activities and events are as important as any other aspect of our curriculum as they develop our core values of Respect and Pride and bring our community together to celebrate and work together to make life better for everyone involved. These events not only foster a sense of community but also add to the joyful spirit of the season.

As we approach the holiday break, I encourage you all to take this time to rest, recharge, and cherish moments with loved ones. May this festive season bring you joy, peace, and an abundance of happiness.

Thank you once again for your unwavering support as we continue to embody the spirit of kindness and generosity that defines our Huxlow community.

Wishing you a restful and joyous Christmas break and looking forward to seeing everyone on the 4th January 2024 refreshed and ready for an exciting new term ahead.

Warm regards,

Mr P Letch Headteacher



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