



*Happy End of Term! It has been a long Autumn Term, and a quick glance back through the previous eZines gives us a real flavour of the many, many things which have been happening at Gospel Oak to support learning both within and beyond the curriculum. This week has been no different; Cosy Club hosted a fabulous Christmas party with a visit from Father Christmas, some GCSE PE students have been rock climbing and we hosted our first formal Parents' and Carers' Evening of the year as we welcome in Y13 Parents and Carers. These events are in addition to a whole-school Enrichment Day – many of us still have 'Last Christmas' ringing in our ears! – and a wonderful Christmas Concert, showcasing the incredible talents of our students – and staff - in Performing Arts and it was lovely to hear from the restaurant who welcomed some of our Year 10 SEND learners on Wednesday evening and commented on the excellent behaviour and manners of our students. Year 11 and 13 students received their mock exam results*

*We all definitely need a rest! We hope that the break will provide you all with a chance to spend time with family and friends and to recharge batteries ready for 2024. Our Spring Term begins for students on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> January, and we look forward to welcoming students into school by 8.30am.*

**Upcoming Dates**

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January – Teacher Training Day  
 Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> January – Year 11 Parents Evening

**Assembly Themes**

Assembly focus this week was Christmas Rewards  
 w/c 08/01 – Welcome Back (Resolutions)  
 w/c 15/01 - World Religion Day

Please take the time to talk to your child about what they have learnt in Assembly.

**Uniform**

If you are buying new school uniform and/or have any Gospel Oak uniform at home which your child has outgrown and is in a reusable condition, please hold onto it and ask your child to bring it to School Reception after the school holidays; this includes Gospel Oak PE kit too. We will be able to use it to support other students and families in our school community.

**Keeping You Safe –  
 Worried about something?  
 STAY SAFE OVER CHRISTMAS**

Access the SHARPE system over the holidays if you are worried about something.

Find this on our Gospel Oak School Website under student then safeguarding.

**Regulation Room Enrichment**



**Year 11 Maths, Physics and Combined Science GCSE Exams**

You may recall that we communicated about the consultation on the inclusion of exam aids for summer 2024 exams in a previous eZine; please visit [GCSE: Ofqual confirms exam aids will be provided in 2024 \(schoolsweek.co.uk\)](https://schoolsweek.co.uk) for an update from 'Schools Week' which confirms that these exam aids will be available. We will, of course, ensure that students understand these and are familiar with them prior to the summer exams. Parents and carers of Year 10 students should note that this provision will not be in place in the summer of 2025.

**Year 11 One-to-One Online Tutoring**

There are still a few final details being sorted for the one-to-one tutoring following Y11 mock exam results; please do get in touch if you have requested this provision for your child as it will not be until January that we can confirm arrangements. This may mean that there are some adjustments to the previously planned dates.