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Principal

Dear Parents and Carers

As we conclude this term, I want to celebrate the many achievements that have made these past months so special. A particular highlight was our Christmas Concert, which showcased the incredible talent within our College community. The number of students performing as musicians was remarkable and the quality of their artistry and performance skills was breathtaking. Seeing the growth of talent across all Year Groups was a fine example of how the arts enrich a balanced curriculum. It was a proud moment for us all and a testament to the dedication of both students and staff.

Can I also say how proud I am of all the students, who have shown such resilience this week. The Autumn Term is the longest and their work ethic right up to the final bell has been really strong. The students have shown commitment and dedication in their studies, have been focussed in lessons, taking the opportunities to do their best. In addition to this many students have engaged in festive enrichment activities during social times, to embrace the festive season, raise money for charity and share good will.

Another memorable occasion was our Awards Evening, where we celebrated the achievements of our outgoing Year 11 and Year 13 students. It was an incredible evening made even more special by having our CEO, Mr Rob Haring, as keynote speaker. As he retires this term after an outstanding legacy, both as former Principal at Ivybridge Community College and as CEO of Westcountry Schools Trust. He will be greatly missed. On behalf of the staff and parents/carers, we wish him every success and happiness in the future.

As we break for the Christmas holidays, I encourage everyone to enjoy quality family time and embrace the festive season with loved ones. These holidays are an opportunity to rest, recharge and create lasting memories. We hope you all have a wonderful break and we look forward to greeting the students on their return on Tuesday, 6 January 2025 (Week B).

On behalf of the entire College, I extend warm wishes to all our families for a joyful and peaceful holiday season. Guided by our values of Respect and Compassion, may this time bring happiness, kindness and togetherness. We look forward to welcoming everyone back in the New Year.

Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays to you all!

Yours faithfully

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