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Dear Parents, Carers and Wider Community,

Happy Friday and happy Hanukkah, which is a Jewish celebration running from the 10th to the 18th of December! At Blaise High School we are ambitious about ensuring our students have a broad cultural understanding. Part of this is our "Cultural Calendar". This is where we get fantastic students to help celebrate a diverse range of cultural events throughout the year. This week Dimitar Borisov and Zoe Kerry in year 7 produced an informative video to celebrate Hanukkah, if you're interested in watching this then please follow this link to our website:
<http://www.blaisehighschool.co.uk/students/curriculum/library>

This week students gave up their social time over Tuesday and Thursday lunchtime to help Mr Wallis in making decorations for the school Christmas lunch next week. Over 60 students gave up their time to make paper chains, snowflakes, Christmas trees and Snowmen to decorate the lunch halls next week. Students had a great time and produced some wonderful decorations and were rewarded for their hard work with mince pies during Thursday's session as a well-done for their dedication and creativity. Don't forget that on Thursday 17th we will be enjoying our full Christmas Dinner with all the trimmings. The meal will be charged at the standard main meal rate of £2.40, please remember to top up your child's Parent Pay account if you would like them to take part. For those on free school meals the full meal will be served free of charge.

The link to the menus is here: <https://www.blaisehighschool.co.uk/information/school/latest-lunch-menu>

Over the last couple of weeks, the Key Stage 3 Resource Base have been working hard on their Enterprise Project. They have set up 3 different companies to manufacture and sell festive gift tags. As part of the project they chose company roles, wrote a business plan and pitched for a loan to buy materials to start manufacturing. They have worked as part of a team to manufacture their products and created advertising posters to let people know what they are selling and why. The students have enjoyed selling the gift tags around school and at home, developing their speaking and listening skills and working on their persuasive techniques. So far, the groups have raised a massive £89 profit which will be donated to the North Bristol Food Bank, a very worthy cause. Here's a picture of their artistic creations:



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I would like to take this opportunity to remind all parents and carers of our end of term schedule. On Friday 18th December the school is closed to students as we will be running our termly Academic Review day. On Thursday 17th December, the final on-site day for students the school day will finish at the normal time. That's 3pm for Y7-10 and Resource Base and 4pm for Y11. We expect students to wear full school uniform and continue with all homework expectations throughout next week.

I wish you all a fantastic weekend.

Kind regards,
Yours faithfully



Katherine Brown
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