Friday 10th December 2021

**Westfield School Christmas Charity Week: 13-17 December 2021)**

**Dear students, parents and carers**

We wish to inform you about the school’s exciting Christmas week activities, which begin on Monday 13th December. All activities have been planned by the Westfield Student Leadership Team. A range of events and games will take place for all students to take part in. Each event/day we will be raising money for our chosen charities with extra donations always being welcomed.

**Charities**

We have chosen two local charities that are important to the Westfield community. We decided that all funding and donations from each activity will be equally split between Bluebell Wood Children’s Hospice and Yorkshire Air Ambulance Charity.

**Form Quizzes**

From Monday 13th to Thursday 16th, there will be form quizzes that everyone will be taking part in. For a Form group to enter the quiz, the form must raise a minimum of £8 for our chosen charities. Each day there will be different category for the quiz, all being Christmas themed: there will be a Christmas song quiz, film quiz, general knowledge quiz and a Christmas around the world quiz. The points from the quiz will be put onto a leaderboard and there will be a winning form in each year group.

**Christmas Raffle**

From Monday 13th to Wednesday 15th, student leaders will be circulating year groups, handing out raffle tickets for those who want to participate. Students will receive a certain number of tickets based on the total rewards points that they have accumulated throughout the year so far. On Monday, students in Years 7 and 9 will receive and be able to buy tickets, Tuesday will be the turn of Year 8 students and Wednesday will be an opportunity for Years 10 and 11.  Students wishing to purchase additional tickets can do so at a cost of 20p a ticket or £1 a strip.

**Santa Run**

On Thursday 16th, we will be holding a 1K Run around the school field. It will cost £1 per person, with prizes to be won for being the ‘fastest’, the ‘best dressed’ (wacky outfits allowed!), and for the ‘most enthusiastic’ runners. For the best outfit prize, we invite students bring in an assortment of Christmas accessories to create their festive looks. There will also be checkpoints around the track, with sports leaders handing out small prizes along the way. There will be three races through the day. During Period 1 we will be inviting year 8 and 9 students to their race; during Period 2 we will be inviting year 7 students to participate. Finally, during Period 5, students in Years 10 and 11 can participate in their race.

**Games Day**

On Friday 17th student leaders will be holding festive games and activities in the hall that students can participate in during their lunchtime. This will take place in the sports hall. Students must pay £1 entry for a playing card. Students will receive a stamp for each game they participate in. Once students have a completed card it will be placed into a prize draw, with a winner being chosen later that day.

**Non- uniform**

Also on Friday 17th, we invite students to arrive to school in Christmas jumper/ non-uniform with all students asked to donate £1. All the money will then be split between the two charities we have decided to support: Bluebell Wood and Yorkshire Air Ambulance.

We hope that the week will be memorable and enjoyable for students and staff, whilst also reminding us all of the values of the festive season: the importance of working together, sharing support and kindness, and in particular supporting those who are in need in our local community. The school curriculum will continue to run as normal during the week, and we ask that all students continue to show positive attitudes to their learning throughout the week.

Yours sincerely,

**The Westfield School Student Leadership Team**