



December

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We hope that the mock examinations have been going well for your son/daughter and that all of the revision was supportive and beneficial. Attached to this email are sample papers for both Language and Literature so that students can see the layout of each exam. Your son/daughter may have already encountered these questions in class.

Over the Christmas holidays, a well-earned break is obviously recommended by the English department. Perhaps your son/daughter could take some quiet time out amongst the Christmas chaos to have a re-read of the very festive *A Christmas Carol* or *Great Expectations*, accompanied by a hot chocolate and a mince pie, or watch one of the film versions as a memory aid. Tasks on the Dickens texts will follow in January.

Once your son/daughter has received their results after the holidays, teachers will go through the papers with the students and explore any errors and misunderstandings with their classes. It is essential that pupils make detailed notes during this feedback and reflect on their exams.

We wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year,

Ms Sarah Meredith

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