

18<sup>th</sup> December 2009

Dear Parents,

I have just finished writing the last end of term report and these will be posted tonight. As we have completed the reports faster than predicted, you will receive both the grade card and the sheet with my comments and those of your child's Tutor and HM. Reports will also be available on the parent portal from Tuesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> December. A number of parents have passed on some positive comments about the portal and I hope that, in time, this will become a very useful means of communication. Enclosed with your child's report is a letter from the Sub-Warden and all other documents are available on the website. The newsletter (St Edward's News) and next term's calendar will be posted to you in January ready for the start of next term. **Boarders return by 9 pm on Monday, 11<sup>th</sup> January and lessons begin on Tuesday, 12<sup>th</sup> January.**

May I thank those parents who kindly contributed to Boarding/Day model survey. The response has been very helpful and my colleagues and I are working on a detailed review of school routines which will be published later next term.

#### **Reception at the Ashmolean**

I am very sorry to tell you that the proposed Ashmolean event on Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> February has been cancelled, following a review of the arrangements and costs involved with the Friends' Committee.

#### **Pupils who hold non-EEA Passports**

All pupils who hold non-EEA Passports and who are returning to the UK for the new term are now requested to carry a letter of consent signed by a parent or guardian. This letter should be carried with your child's passport at all times. A form can be found on the School website under 'Parent Notices – Tier 4 Consent Form Parents and Guardians. It is also necessary for the School to have a copy of all non-EEA Passports which will be held in a central record. Please ensure that your son or daughter presents their passport to their HM at the beginning of next term so a copy can be made. This applies also to those pupils who live in the UK but hold non-EEA Passports and therefore require a Visa to travel abroad.

May I wish you all a very happy Christmas and a successful New Year.

With best wishes,

