25 November 2016

Dear Parents/Carers,

St Margaret's Carol Service, Liverpool Cathedral, 12:30 pm Wednesday 21st December

I thought it would be helpful to give you advance warning of the arrangements for the last day of term.

As usual, we will be celebrating Christmas with our Carol Service in the Cathedral at 12:30pm. Parents are very welcome to join us for what is always a very special occasion.

During the morning of Wednesday 21st December, Year 8 students involved in the choir will be transported to the cathedral for rehearsals. Since they will not be in school at break-time, they may wish to bring a snack to school to take with them. The remaining students will be taken by coach to the Cathedral at approximately 11am and will be able to purchase a snack in school at break time. Those students who are entitled to free school meals may use their allowance to purchase a snack at break time.

The service will be around an hour long and pupils will be dismissed from the Cathedral at approximately 1:30pm to start the Christmas holidays. We will be able to provide transport back to school for pupils who need it; please let us know in advance (by e-mailing admin@stmargaretsacademy.com) if this is the case.

Following feedback from some parents in recent years, and in parallel with practice elsewhere in the City, we will be making provision for Other World Faith students whose families request it to receive some appropriate religious instruction in school on the Wednesday morning. If you would like your son or daughter to attend this instead of going to the Cathedral, you must let us know beforehand (otherwise we will expect your child to come to the Cathedral): please complete the reply slip below and return it to the School Office.

With every best wish to you and your family as we approach Advent,

| Yours sincerely, | |
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| <u>Stephen Brierley</u> Principal | |
| Name of child: | Form: |
| I wish my child to attend a short period of Other V December. | World Faith instruction on the morning of Wednesday 21st |
| Parental signature: | Date: <u>December 2016</u> |
| Please print name: | Relationship to pupil: |