



WHERE EVERY PUPIL CREATES THEIR OWN STORY

## house newsletter- december 2024 Pembroke House



## From the HM



As the Christmas season approaches, it is always the perfect time to pause and reflect on the term that has just passed.

The holidays often give us all a chance to slow down, gather with our loved ones, and embrace a sense of gratitude. But beyond all the festivities, they also offer a chance for personal reflection, an opportunity to assess how far we've come as individuals and where we want to go in the year ahead.

This time of year always encourages us to appreciate the small moments, the victories, and even the challenges that have shaped us. Within Pembroke this year there have been many small moments of joy that have shaped the House. The 'Pembroke Has Got Talent' competition had us all laughing and in awe of the incredible skills and abilities that some of the girls possess, carving pumpkins together and putting up the Christmas decorations are two examples of how the House has come together to shape and make memories. There are also individual triumphs, from Lamda exams to TA hockey selection, from parts in the play and the Autumn concert to completing Half Ironman competitions. Each and every girl in Pembroke has done something this past term to be proud of, something that has shaped their future and given them memories for life.

There is still so much more to look forward to as we venture closer to another New Year. The Year 11 and Year 13 cohorts will have mock exams to keep them focused and on task through the holiday season. The first weekend back will be a highlight of the year with the annual House Dinner. This event is always a brilliant chance to celebrate the amazing family that Pembroke is. The theme this year is 'The Great Gatsby', so seek out those feathers and sequins and be prepared for a fabulous evening.

I trust each and every one of you will get chance to rest, recoup and celebrate this Christmas Holidays!

## From the Deputy Heads of House



This term has been busy as always and has been a journey in both academic studies and extra-curricular activities for everyone in Pembroke. The Year 13s have been putting in a huge amount of time and effort into completing their USCAS applications where we have been hugely supported by the teachers around us and are now pushing through the final stages of the year, and focusing on our mocks which are just around the corner. Aside from academics, within the House we have seen the progression of the bonds formed over the term and have really loved how close we have all got, even more than we were before. Over the last few weeks Pembroke has been filled with House activities including Pembroke's got talent, with Dilly taking the trophy with her amazing voice and now in the Christmas spirit looking forward to our annual secret Santa followed by the House Christmas lunch. We are very excited to see what next term holds for Pembroke, despite the anticipation of exams we know that the girls will push through with a positive outlook, supporting each other in every way.

## Photos from across the term











