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Dear parents/carers,

I am very sorry to have to tell you that one of our pupils, Leon Walker, sadly passed away on Monday 16th December.

When someone dies, friends and family often experience a number of mixed emotions and you may find that your child will be upset, confused anxious or fearful about what has happened. The staff will be offering support to the children in school, but you need to be aware that their feelings of grief may also be expressed at home.

School will be open from 10am to 12pm Wednesday 18th and 9am to 12pm on Thursday 19th December if any children accompanied by their parents feel that they need support with processing this information by the staff that knew Leon.

Further support around helping children deal with loss can be found [here](#) as well as the following links.

Winstons Wish. Support for how to explain someone has died and the concept of death - <https://winstonswish.org/supporting-you/supporting-a-bereaved-child/>

Child Bereavement UK. Activities to support children through the grieving process - <https://www.childbereavementuk.org/Pages/Category/activities-for-grieving-children-and-young-people>

Kooth. Wellbeing support for students - <https://student.kooth.com/>

If you have any particular concerns about your child please do contact us.

Yours sincerely,

Michael Cohen
Acting Head Teacher

