



21st<sup>th</sup> September 2015

Dear Parent/Carer,

**Saturday School: 9.00 am – 1.00 pm**

I write to inform you that the full Saturday School programme begins on Saturday, 26th<sup>th</sup> of September 2015 and your child has been selected to attend free of cost, to help them prepare for their GCSE exams. Students are expected to attend every session they have been allocated.

This programme runs in conjunction with the after school programme and is designed to provide the students at Cardinal Pole with every available opportunity for success in the summer of 2016. This programme was used effectively last year in boosting attainment. To make the most of these opportunities students should be prompt arriving no later than the session start time of **9.00am** or **11.00am**

Securing a minimum of 5 GCSEs or equivalent including English and maths at grades A\* to C is an important and necessary step towards further study, training and career choice. Most Universities, Sixth forms and Colleges set A\*-C grades in English and maths as pre-requisites for entry do most courses.

As a school we are committed to ensure that all of our students secure the very best grades they can and make as much progress as possible. We know that by working together as a school community, we can help your child to succeed. Some useful strategies include the following:

- Meet all coursework and controlled assessment deadlines;
- Attend all revision and study sessions;
- Complete all homework to at least a good standard;
- Get into a study routine by constructing, then stick to, a study timetable/schedule;
- Revise using study guides, past exam papers and websites such as Maths Watch and Sam Learning;
- Restrict the use of social media to times outside the revision schedule;
- Use the weekends wisely. Allocate at least 10 hours for homework and study.

Please see the grid below for their subject and time allocation. Some students are allocated two sessions whilst others, one. Students will not be allowed offsite before their allocated dismissal time.

Thank you for your continued support.

| Subject               | Time       |
|-----------------------|------------|
| <b>Insert subject</b> | 9am - 11am |
| <b>Insert subject</b> | 11am - 1pm |

Yours sincerely,

Mr A English **Assistant Headteacher, Curriculum**



**Please complete and return to Mr Brown, PSM Year 11**

**Reply Slip**  
**Saturday School**

<Name of student> will / will not be attending Saturday School beginning Saturday, 26th September 2015.

**Name of parent/carer:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signed:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

If you wish to speak to me about any concerns you have about your child's progress in Maths please to contact me on **020 8985 5150 extension 2135**.

Yours sincerely,

Mr O'Donoghue  
**Assistant Head of KS4**