



29th October 2019

Dear Parents/Carers

WELCOME BACK!
REMINDER: LATE OPENING – FRIDAY 1ST NOVEMBER 2019 – ALL SAINTS DAY

It has been a busy first half term and this continues with a determined push for our Year 11 and Year 13 students who will be facing the mock examinations starting next week. Further details to follow.

A reminder that students are expected to attend Mass in their own Parish on Friday as it is a Holy Day of Obligation (All Saints Day) and thereafter, students are expected to arrive to school for 10.40am for registration with the first lesson commencing at period 3. A delayed breakfast club will be available to students from 10am.

I am pleased to report that the school has been given the opportunity to take part in a project that will run jointly between schools and the Metropolitan Police. Operation Encompass is a Metropolitan Police initiative, which reports to schools, prior to the start of the next school day, when a child or young person has been exposed to, or involved in, any domestic incident. This will ensure that a member of the school staff (the dedicated Safeguarding Lead) liaises with the Police to use the information that has been shared, in confidence, whilst ensuring that the school is able to make provision for possible difficulties experienced by children, or their families, who have been involved in, or exposed to such an incident. We are keen to offer the best support possible to all our students and we believe this will be extremely beneficial for all those involved.

I also remind you as the colder and darker days arrive that no child in Years 7-10 are permitted to wear coats, hats or scarves that are not official Cardinal Pole uniform. Year 11 are only permitted to wear a plain black coat in preparation for the Sixth Form.

All students should also leave site and **go straight home**, not frequenting the fast food shops or be seen in the surrounding areas in uniform unless on their journey home. It is for their own safety and to ensure that Hackney remains a clean safe environment for all.

Finally, at this time of the year, may I remind all parents/carers and students of the dangers of fireworks and that these are best enjoyed at properly organised public displays.

Your support on these matters would be greatly appreciated.

Yours sincerely

Ms J Heffernan
EXECUTIVE HEADTEACHER