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Dear Parent/Carer,

School Opening, January 2021

Following the recent government advice, Cardinal Pole Catholic School will be providing remote learning to all students from 4th January 2021. I am advised that in the week beginning 11th January 2021, Year 11 and Year 13 will return, and Year 7/10 and Year 12 in the week beginning 18th January. This provision will enable the school to put in place testing arrangements and review the risk assessments in place. I will update you should these arrangements change.

The school site remains open to the children of key workers and vulnerable students who are invited to attend school from 10am, 4th January 2021. Please let the office know if your child will be attending so that arrangements are in place.

I will write to you shortly to confirm the testing arrangements for your child and further information on the dates of return for each year group. **If your child is in Years 7-10 and 12** they should access on line learning through Show My Homework and the Weekly Work Plan for their Year Group on the school website. **If your child is in Year 11 or 13**, they should log on as normal to on line teaching with their class throughout the week, starting from p3, Monday, 4th January 2021. I will update you further on the arrangements and in particular for Year 12 Vocational students on Monday, 4th January.

You can support your child by checking that they:

- Are logging on by 9am each day
- Have the appropriate passwords to access resources
- Have access to their CGP books
- Complete the work set in the Weekly Work Plan (this is on the school website under the Home Learning Tab)
- Contact the enquiries line if there are issues about accessing resources.

I am sorry that this is being communicated to you at such short notice, you will be aware that the arrangements were not shared with schools before yesterday.

I am aware that this remains a challenging time and the news provides little comfort, but we are a strong community and we remember 'It is God who arms me with strength and keeps my way secure.' Samuel 2 22-23. The school will care for and educate your child even if we are not able to have your child on site, and we will continue to make contact with you directly.

I wish you and your family a happy and safe New Year.

Ms Jane Heffernan

Headteacher



Department for Education

Return dates for primary and secondary schools and colleges in England

Year group	w/c 4 Jan	w/c 11 Jan	w/c 18 Jan
Exam years (years 11 and 13)	Prioritise remote education	Return to school	Continue at school
Primary (years 1-6)	Return to school with some local exceptions*	Continue at school with some local exceptions*	Continue at school with some local exceptions*
Secondary / college (years 7-10 and 12)	Prioritise remote education	Prioritise remote education	Full return to school with some local exceptions*
Primary / secondary vulnerable and critical worker	Return to school	Continue at school	Continue at school
Special school	Return to school encouraged	Continue at school	Continue at school
Alternative provision	Return to school	Continue at school	Continue at school

* In some local areas, under the contingency framework students will have remote education except for exam years and vulnerable and critical worker children. Special schools for primary years should continue to allow pupils to attend full time.