



# Cardinal Pole Catholic School

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Dear Parents and Students,

## WELCOME BACK

I hope you all had a restful half term and I thank the students who came in during the half term break to study for their upcoming mocks and summer 2022 examinations and the staff who supported them.

I write to inform you of my resignation as Executive Headteacher of Cardinal Pole Catholic School with effect from 31<sup>st</sup> August 2022. Arrangements for the recruitment of a Headteacher for September 2022 are already in place.

It has been both demanding and rewarding to lead Cardinal Pole for the past eleven years and a privilege to serve this community. This school is a special place full of unique and talented young people. Although I resign my post with mixed emotions, I know that the school is well placed to face the future with confidence, steered successfully by governors and the leadership team.

I look forward to new opportunities as the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) for the Southwark Diocesan Board of Education, Multi Academy Trust, but I will miss working with such talented and professional colleagues and the reward of working directly with the young people in our care.

Bishop Ken Untener sums up what I feel about the work of this school and what we are about:

*"We plant the seeds that one day will grow. We water the seeds already planted, knowing that they hold future promise. We lay foundations that will need further development. We provide yeast that produces effects far beyond our capabilities.*

*We cannot do everything and there is a sense of liberation in realising that. This enables us to do something and to do it well. It may be incomplete, but it is a beginning, a step along the way, an opportunity for the Lord's grace to enter and do the rest."*

Staff at this school build strong foundations to secure exceptional future opportunities for our children. I am proud to have been part of this work and am grateful to you as parents/carers for your support. It has been a privilege to serve as a Headteacher at Cardinal Pole and in the wider Catholic and Hackney family and I will leave with many fond memories and pride in all that we have achieved.

I wish you and the whole school community every success in the future.

Yours sincerely

*Jane Heffernan*

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**EXECUTIVE HEADTEACHER**



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