



14th December 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

END OF TERM ARRANGEMENTS

I am writing to inform you of the arrangements for the last week of term as we know them for the present.

The Year 7 Carol Service has been filmed this year socially distanced, with a limited number of students and will be shown in each form class during prep. We are working to have this uploaded onto our website.

On **Wednesday 16th December**, the Advent liturgies will also be shown during registration to all year groups in the various student bubbles. We will also be raising money for on this day through our Non-Uniform event for our Advent charities, the Catholic Children's Society and the Hackney Food Bank, this is payable either by cash £2.00 or via ParentPay.

End of Term Arrangements: As a result of the recent increase in numbers of our students and staff self-isolating, in consultation with our Governing Body and parents/carers, I have taken the decision to ask **ALL** students to work remotely through our virtual school on the afternoons of Tuesday 15th and Wednesday 16th December 2020, using the work set on Show My Homework/CGP booklets. This will continue through Thursday 17th and Friday 18th December 2020. Therefore, the last day physically in school will be the morning of Wednesday 16th December 2020. On Tuesday and Wednesday students will be dismissed on a staggered basis from 12.05pm until 12.25pm. A limited number of Year 12 & 13 students will attend site on Thursday and Friday and they have been notified of this. You will already be aware that the Year 8, 11 and 12 bubbles have already commenced remote learning with the exception of Year 12 vocational. Please note that the school remains open for Years 7, 9 & 10, to the children of key workers and vulnerable children on Thursday and Friday, please notify the school of your child's intention to attend by the end of school on Wednesday 16th so that arrangements can be made via enquiries@cardinalpole.co.uk

All students will return to school on Monday 4th January 2020 at the usual staggered start times, **this is subject to Government advice and you will be contacted should there be any change to this.**

If your child becomes Covid positive or needs to self-isolate during the Christmas break, they should do so as directed by the NHS. Please continue to email all this information to enquiries@cardinalpole.co.uk throughout the holidays. In line with the Government guidelines of wearing face coverings whilst in "circulation" in school buildings, please may I write to let you know that all children in the canteen are required to wear a face covering until they are either seated ready to eat or outside eating. The same applies to classrooms and they should continue to wear a face covering until they are seated at their designated desk. This is to ensure all our community remain safe at all times.

Thank you for all your support this term and I wish you all a happy and Holy Christmas and look forward to working with you in the New Year.

Yours sincerely

Ms J Heffernan
HEADTEACHER