



'Cardinal Pole Catholic School is a community of **service** guiding young people on a path to **opportunity**, **aspiration**, and **reward**, founded on Catholic values.'

HEAD OF SCHOOL ONLINE PARENT FORUM Tuesday 22nd October 2024 - 1.30pm

A reminder that half term is two weeks finishing on Friday 25th October. Returning Monday 11th November and there will be a two minutes silence at 11am during breaktime on this day.

Black History Month concludes in Culture Dress Day on Friday to make a donation to charity via their form groups. There is also a quiz where teachers take on students during lunchtime. This is a ticketed event only. Winners of all these events will go out on social media. It has been a very positive half term but a very long at 8 weeks. The students have had a lot of activities taking place this month.

Thanks for those parents in Year 7 who attended the workshop recently on Bromcom and ParentPay. The new App is the big thing for next half term. Our website is being updated with information on how to login and access routes, this will be in place shortly and every parent across the whole school will be sent a login and link to your child's data. You will then be able to receive push notifications for any changes on your child's account. Please ensure you login to this. Reminders will be sent out after half term for those parents who have not had access to their child's account. Achievement point texts already go out as well as late texts if your child is late to school. These will continue whilst we are on the change over of systems, eventually it will be Bromcom for everything. A user guide also went out last week to help with the logon.

Year 11 Westminster Cathedral retreats which the students really enjoy take place next week and gives them a chance for reflection prior to their impending exams.

Year 7-11 flu vaccinations : Thursday 14th November responses please as soon as possible as it is an important time of year for these and missing time in school is proven to affect their longer-term education.

Year 11 reminder: First week back two big events: Sixth Form Open Evening event for external students on Thursday 14th November 4.30pm-6.30pm and an internal event for our current Year 11 students during periods 1 & 2 on Friday 15th November. Students will visit subjects to speak to teachers about the options available. Our Sixth Form predominantly caters for our students; however, they must meet the criteria for the courses they wish to study. This will be the start of the Sixth Form information events, there will also be taster days and careers talks for students to help them make their career decisions.

Thanks for your support this half term.

Parent Points/Questions:

Parent: If you have more than one child at school would Bromcom link those two children? AOD: You should be sent two links. Links to the codes to be sent out today. Will check if there is a way to combine them.

Yours in service,

Mr A O'Donoghue
HEAD OF SCHOOL