



Bishop Douglass Catholic School

An Academy School in the Cardinal Hume Academies Trust

Headteacher: Mr Martin Tissot, MA, MBA, NPQH

27th November 2019

Dear Parent/Carer,

Year 11 PARENT EVENING – Wednesday 8th January 2020

I am writing to invite you to attend the Year 11 Parent Evening, which will take place on **Wednesday 8th January 2020** in the school hall between **4.30pm and 7.00pm (with last appointments starting at 6.40pm)**. We regard it as essential that you attend. The evening will provide an opportunity for you to meet subject staff, form tutors and myself to discuss student progress. Most importantly, your child's mock results will be issued.

Please return the reply slip to your child's form tutor by 11th December, if there is an exceptional reason why no adult can attend on this particular occasion, I would ask that you telephone me to make a separate appointment.

I would like to take this opportunity to remind parents and pupils the importance of attendance to school and to intervention classes; these really do make a difference to GCSE success. I ask parents to actively encourage pupils to attend school, unless they are very unwell; especially as the next term is hugely important in preparation for public examinations.

Please also be aware the awarding bodies have designated Wednesday 24th June as a contingency day for examinations. The designation of a 'contingency day' within the common examination timetable is in the event of a national or local disruption to examinations. It is part of the awarding bodies standard contingency planning for examinations. Therefore pupils must remain available until and including Wednesday 24th June 2020 should an awarding body need to invoke its contingency plan. Please do keep this in mind when making summer holiday plans.

Behaviour this term has been outstanding and I would like to give a gentle reminder of the standards that we expect from our pupils upon their return from the Christmas break:

- Uniform and hair – Must be in line with our school policy. Please refer to the school journal for clarity
- Pupils are representing our school when travelling to and from school, Behaviour needs to remain at the highest standard
- Banned items – a reminder that we have the right to randomly search pupils for banned/prohibited items

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I wish you and your family a restful and enjoyable Christmas holiday and trust you share my enthusiasm and excitement for the start of the new year. As your child's Head of Year, I am committed to working in Partnership with you and will monitor all aspects of your child's school life to ensure that he/she meet their potential.

Thank you as always for your support.

Yours sincerely

J Hart

Jason Hart

Assistant Headteacher & Head of Year 11



REPLY SLIP – TO BE RETURNED TO: Form Tutors

Name of Student: _____ **FORM:** _____

I confirm I will be attending the Year 11 Parent Evening on **Wednesday 8th January 4.30pm – 7.00pm**

I am not able to attend the Parent Evening.

Signed: _____ **Parent/Carer** **Date:** _____

NAME OF PARENT/CARER (please print) _____

