



**St Cuthbert's
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Dear parent/carer

Re: Year 11 Address September 2019

Welcome back

It has been a pleasure welcoming back our Year 11 for what will be a challenging and potentially future determining last stage of school. I have had really good conversations already with students enthused about preparing for exams, graduating with pride and displaying a mature attitude they further developed over a refreshing summer break. We have met as a year group on the first day back, sharing the expectations of a Year 11 student, whilst receiving their Year 11 tie. Our first assembly focussed on this brilliant year group achieving their potential. The message was about making small changes and developing a growth mind set. The power point presentation can be found in the Year 11 area on the [St Cuthbert's Website](#).

Key dates

A few important dates over the next month are highlighted below:

- **Carmel College Assembly Friday 13th September**
- **Year 11 wellbeing Assembly Thursday 26th September**
- **Health Careers trip 24th September @ TWS**
- **University and apprenticeships fair @ Anfield 9th October**
- **Post 16 Market place Evening 3rd October**
- **English/Maths/Science/RE mocks (in class) w/b 30th September**

Prepared for Year 11

As you can see it is a busy start to the year and it is essential each Year 11 student is fully prepared for the year. The wellbeing assembly will offer advice and guidance on how to stay healthy and mentally fit throughout the year - parents too! Your child will need to have made and started a manageable revision plan and they are expected to increase their independent study. Despite the usual response from some students; there is always work they could be doing at home. For example there is a structured Science revision schedule [available on the website](#) within the Year 11 page and a comprehensive catalogue of Maths revision in the [Maths area](#). Independent curriculum areas have started bespoke interventions and the RE department have led the way in developing a 'how to revise' guide. Future intervention developments will be shared on social media and the website. [The Year 11 page has a list of resources from departments](#).

Attendance and behaviour

It goes without saying that these areas have a direct relationship to progress and attainment. We want our students to be the best they can be and make the most out of their learning time. The attendance minimum target is 97% and apart from the correlation to progress it will one of the determining factors in prom invites. Attitude to learning scores are monitored daily and reported each fortnight. Positive behaviour will be rewarded and any declines in behaviour will involve school consequences and also be a determining factor in prom invites. 2 ATL 4s in a day is totally unacceptable and will result in a same day 2.40 detention.

We expect this resilient year group to thrive on the challenge of the year and we appreciate your continued support in helping them be the best they can be.

If you have any questions or queries please see us at one of the events or call the year 11 office.

Best wishes,

Mr Arkell and Mrs Tomlin
Head of Year 11 and Assistant Head of Year 11

