



ST MARY'S CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers

Proposed increase in student numbers at St Mary's Catholic High School

As a school, we are consulting on an increase in our student numbers. The intention is to allow for 210 students in Year 7 – Year 11, compared to our current 195 Published Admissions Number, alongside 180 admissions into Year 12. This would be subject to securing funding for an additional teaching space, via a **Condition Improvement Fund Expansion** bid.

Our current student population is already in line with these numbers, the issue we have is the lack of teaching accommodation on site, as the school was originally built in 1981 for far fewer students. We are not trying to draw students from other local schools but instead improve the facilities and provision for our school community.

In summary the aims of this official expansion are;

- to address the rising numbers in the school population, through both appeals for entry in Year 7 and high numbers of Sixth Form applicants
- to provide improved teaching and learning facilities
- to continue to provide outstanding educational provision
- to ensure that the school has long term financial sustainability

Please contact me should you wish to raise any concerns or comments, by 21 December 2020, via; enquiries@stmaryschesterfield.org.uk

Yours faithfully

Mrs M Dengate
Headteacher

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