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Dear Parent/Carer,

National Tutoring Programme

I am writing to inform you of an exciting opportunity for your child. Sir Thomas Boteler Church of England High School will be working with the National Tutoring Programme (NTP) to provide additional support to help students catch-up on learning that has been affected by school closures due to the coronavirus pandemic. There is extensive evidence which shows how powerful one-to-one and small-group tuition is to support the progress students make.

The tutoring received through the NTP is subsidised 70% by Government funding, while the remaining 30% is covered by the Covid recovery funding the school has received from the government to help students catch-up on lost learning caused by the pandemic. All costs for the tuition are covered.

All students selected will have a one-hour session every week with their assigned tutor, being taught in a small group (maximum of 3 students) for a period of 15 weeks. The tutoring will focus on either English, Maths or Science depending on the areas most needed to be consolidated, so this will vary for each student.

Students will be given a designated time during the school week where they will work with their tutor who will remain the same throughout the course of the block of 15 weeks. The sessions will be held in the school Tutorial Room (Old CEIAG Room). Students will not be coming out of other subject areas to receive the tuition. We have avoided this as we did not want to create further gaps in understanding that would be created by doing this. Instead, they will be coming out of the subject (English, Maths or Science) they will be receiving the tuition in. The tutors will be delivering exactly the same lesson using the same resources that other students in the class will be receiving but will be taught in a very small group where the tutor can address any gaps and misunderstanding that the students may have.

Students will complete all work with their tutor in the same exercise book they use in their normal timetabled lessons to ensure the work is well sequenced and easy for students to follow.

Our Head of Departments in English, Maths and Science are available to liaise between parents, students and tutors and are your point of contact at any time on the email addresses below:

English – Mr Vallender nvallender@boteler.org.uk Maths - Miss Jones fjones@boteler.org.uk Science – Mr Igbal digbal@boteler.org.uk

I am also available for general information and questions about the tuition programme on jkoltan@boteler.org.uk

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We have worked closely with the tutors to inform them of our curriculum and our lesson structures. We will continue to work closely with them to monitor students' progress, reward students' efforts and ensure the teaching methods delivered by our teaching staff in school is replicated by the tutors.

We are really looking forward to launching this programme with our students and we hope you support us with making sure they enjoy and get the most out of this experience.

Yours faithfully,

Mr J Koltan Senior Assistant Headteacher



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