Dear Parents / Caregivers,

RE: Flinders University Assessment Centres Project

Flinders University is offering all students currently in Year 11 the opportunity to participate in a range of activities in Week 2 of Term 4, which could result in them being offered a position at Flinders University in a range of course areas in 2018. These include:

- Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM)
- Arts
- Digital Media (Game Development)

They will be conducting the Assessment Centre at Samaritan College, in Samaritan Hall on Wednesday, 26th October 2016 (Week 2, Term 4).

The Assessment Centre will be a structured event in which students will participate in a series of activities designed to illustrate their ability to undertake studies in higher education. Activities will be assessed for both group interaction and individual aptitude. The Assessment Centre approach aims to determine a student’s aptitude across five key areas, including:

- Creativity thinking – the generation of new and worthwhile ideas;
- Analytical thinking – the ability to evaluate, judge and compare information;
- Practical thinking – the ability to put ideas into action and convince others of their value;
- Thinking with wisdom – reflection upon their abilities and knowledge; and
- Mindful agency – Students taking responsibility for their own actions.

Flinders University is targeting students who:

- are considering entry to university;
- are likely to complete SACE but not receive an ATAR;
- their ability to study at university may not be reflected in their Year 12 performance;
- may not be on track to achieve a high enough ATAR to participate in their degree of choice; or
- may be experiencing significant stress in their final year studies that may affect their ability to achieve their potential.
This is an invaluable opportunity for students to potentially give themselves another possible entry option to gain access into university in 2018 and I encourage any student interested in studying at Flinders University and in the specified areas, consider participating in this event.

Not participating in this event does not exclude a student from gaining entry into a course offered by Flinders University – this assessment merely provides a potential alternative pathway.

To confirm your interest, please complete the attached form and return to Mr Tony Hall no later than Friday, 30th September 2016.

Should you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact me at the College on (08) 8645 8568 or via email at tony.hall@samaritan.catholic.edu.au.

Yours sincerely,

Tony Hall
Director of Teaching and Learning
I, ___________________________ (insert name), the parent / caregiver of ___________________________
(insert name) am

confirming my interest for my child to attend the Flinders University Assessment Centre Project at Samaritan College on

Wednesday, 26th October 2016. The exact details will be confirmed in the coming weeks with the interested students.

Signed: ___________________________
Date: ___________________________

Please return this form at your earliest convenience and no later than Friday, 30th September 2016.