

9th June 2021

Dear Parent,

Re: Support to ensure a smooth transition to Year 11 study

Thank you for your continued support in this year of change and evolution.

As you know, we have remodelled out Key Stage 4 curriculum to give students the chance to 'know and remember more' by having a two year GCSE course in years 10 and 11. However, this means the normal timetable rollover which would take place in June will not happen.

As part of their weekly timetable, our Year 10 students now have a programme of lessons and activities that covers a range of statutory and enriching topics,

- Literacy
- Cultural Capital
- Digital Skills
- Careers Education
- RSE
- Being Healthy

We will be sharing the September 2021 Pathway subject allocations with all students shortly. To ensure students are prepared for their one year GCSE course in Year 11, we have created a SharePoint site for them, which can be accessed through the main school website. This is at an early stage but will increasingly be resourced with high quality materials and links for your child to work on ahead of their upcoming courses and prepare for September's lessons. I shall be speaking with subject leaders to ask if there are other support processes we can put into place e.g., revision guide distribution, which will be communicated within school to your child.

We hope this goes some way to support your child as they progress to the next stages of their education.

Finally, if you could please reinforce with your child that we are here to support them in the lead up to the summer holidays. Our key message is it's 'okay to not be okay' and students can contact their form teacher, Head of Year or pastoral leaders if they wish to receive support for mental health issues. We take our pastoral responsibility very seriously and know what a challenging year this has been for our students.

This summer's GCSE results will be publicised on Thursday 12th August and we -will be in touch later this half-term to provide further details on how our Year 10 students can collect their results.

If you need anything, as ever, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours,

Mat Galvin