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4th September 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

Year 11 Catch Up

We have been delighted to welcome all of Year 11 back into school and have been really impressed with the start they have made. We have shared with them how we plan to support their 'Catch Up' during their final year to ensure they reach their potential in the 2021 exam series. We have recognised that the last few months have been strange and that there have been variable degrees of engagement in terms of remote learning.

It is now time to look forward and work together to ensure that no time is lost and that all gaps in learning are caught up in a timely fashion. We are therefore asking that all students engage in the catch up below. Information regarding these sessions has already been shared with the students and added to their timetables. Students understand that these sessions **are not optional** as this additional learning time will ensure full curriculum coverage.

The below table sets out the subjects and times of the sessions which we expect all students to attend. **These sessions will begin on Tuesday, 8th September.**

Day	Breakfast Catch Up	After school Catch Up
Monday		Science 2.45 – 3.30pm Music 3.30-4.30pm
Tuesday	Photography 7.45 – 8.15am	English Lit 2.45 – 3.45pm Hospitality and Catering Child Development Art & Design 4.00 – 5.00pm
Wednesday		Maths 2.40 – 3.40pm
Thursday	Music 7.40 – 8.20am	
Friday	MFL (French & Spanish) 7.30 – 8.15am	History Geography MFL (French & Spanish) 2.40 – 3.40pm

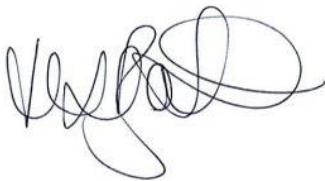
We will ensure that the catch-up sessions provide rapid and sustained improvement towards GCSE targets, by staff examining previous academic data and engagement with home learning. We believe that this approach will accelerate learning, ensuring that the students are well prepared for their December mock examinations. I am sure you will appreciate the importance of Year 11 mocks, especially after how they were used to help formulate the Centre Assessed Grades for Year 11 for the 2020 exams.

I believe that this is a year group with tremendous potential and I am keen to build on previous successes, ensuring that all students are able to achieve and exceed their targets. If you have any questions regarding the catch-up programme, please do not hesitate to get in touch. In the coming weeks, I will write to you with more details about our coming events, which will also help to support our Year 11 cohort and allowing us to work collaboratively.

During the last six months, we have really appreciated your support during this unprecedented situation of home learning and catch up work over the summer break. We hope that we can continue to rely upon your encouragement to ensure that your child attends all of their timetabled sessions.

I look forward to working with you all during this coming year.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'H. Bate', with a large, stylized flourish at the end.

Miss H. Bate

Progress Leader Years 10 & 11