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Dear Parent/Carer

Firstly, I would like to express how proud I am of our year 11 students. Despite the very challenging circumstances linked to COVID-19, the students have shown resilience, responsibility and perseverance towards their education.

I am fully aware that it is a stressful time for students; mainly due to the amount of effort they are making in creating extensive portfolios of evidence for their GCSE grades. Staff are working tirelessly to give our students every opportunity to demonstrate their knowledge and skills to achieve the grades they deserve.

For most students, the final compulsory day in school is Friday 28th May 2021. However, throughout the three weeks after half term (Monday 7th June to Friday 25th June) we have a range of activities in place:

1. LIVE lesson timetable

The booklet included with this letter, provides details about the content of the LIVE lessons – these lessons can be accessed from home through MS Teams. While attendance is voluntary, the content has been carefully considered to support our students in their next steps in education and would be beneficial.

2. Other activities both onsite and online

The booklet outlines the additional onsite and online activities that are in place for students to take part in – these include employability and apprenticeship sessions run by colleges and training providers. In addition, there are sign language sessions and a first aid course – places for these are limited and student will need to book a place in advance.

3. Intervention sessions in school (running from Monday 7th June to Friday 18th June)

Your child has not been identified in need of compulsory additional intervention sessions in school, however, if they feel that they want to come into school and further supplement their evidence portfolios please can you contact main reception on 0161 4138546 – this will ensure that the teachers have appropriate work planned for them with they arrive.

The timetable for intervention session is as follows:

	Session 1	Session 2
Monday	Option A classes: Drama, Music, Photography and Sport 9am – 11am	English 11.15am – 1.15pm
Tuesday	Option B classes: Music and Sport 9am – 11am	Science 11.15am – 1.15pm
Wednesday	Maths 9am – 11am	Geography 11.15am – 1.15pm
Thursday	Art 9am – 11am	ICT (non EBACC) and Spanish 12.15pm- 2.15pm
Friday	ICT (EBACC) and Option C Photography 9am – 11am	History 12.15pm – 2.15pm

When attending intervention, students do not have to wear school uniform. Please be aware that the canteen will not be serving food or drink at any point after half term, if students are in school for longer than one session they will have to bring in their own snack/lunch.

Weekly Welfare Check

Over the three weeks after half term (Monday 7th June to Friday 25th June), school will be making contact weekly to check that everything is going well and offering support if it is needed – if you have missed a call from school, please make every effort to call us back on 0161 4138546.

PROM – Friday 9th July 2021

We are still awaiting government guidance on whether the PROM can proceed as planned. As we advised in previous letters please make sure that any receipts are kept for any items bought in the event that it cannot happen as planned. We will update you as soon as we are able to.

Results Day – Thursday 12th August 2021

Plans will be subject to the latest government advice regarding COVID-19. However, it is likely that students will be able to collect their results from our main reception area between 10am and 12pm.

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to say thank you for all your support this academic year, it is very much appreciated.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs K Jones

Head of School