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Dear parents / carers,

It now seems fairly certain, barring any further COVID disruption, that GCSE exams will go ahead as normal this Summer. We understand that this decision by Welsh Government may seem unfair given the amount of disruption pupils have already experienced but, as we cannot change it, we now need to focus on supporting our learners through the process.

With this in mind we are currently putting together a package of academic and wellbeing support for pupils which will hopefully ensure that they achieve the best outcomes possible. This will involve the provision of additional revision / intervention sessions out of hours, a mentoring programme, study skills sessions and also the provision of revision resources. One such resource we have invested in for our pupils is 'GCSE Pod'. This is an online platform which gives pupils access to thousands of short, topic-specific video clips as well as accompanying quizzes and resources. As it is an online platform, pupils can access the resources anywhere and from any device but it does mean that we need parental permission in order to register them on the system. You can give this permission very easily simply by following the link below and we can then provide your child with an access code.

<https://forms.gle/qwSm1i3JDGmPLh439>

As mentioned above, there will also be lots of other support activities available for year 11 students over the coming months and, to ensure that pupils and parents are clear on all that is on offer, we will be running an information evening via Teams on Wednesday 16th February at 5.30pm. You can join via the link below and the session will also be recorded for anybody who can't make it.

https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting_NjAwMmMwN2YtY2NIYi00NjMxLWJiMzltYm13NzRhNTQ4MDYz%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%224f3f0e52-b734-4164-9409-1b601d147993%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%22280f1a82-b378-4ac7-ae2b-44a21b4c67e2%22%7d

We hope to see as many of you as possible at this meeting but, in the meantime, if you have any queries or concerns regarding provision for year 11, please don't hesitate to contact the Head of Learning, Mrs. Quirk on tina.quirk@wms.schoolsedu.org.uk.

Yours sincerely

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