

24<sup>th</sup> April 2020

Dear Year 11 Students

As the first week of the Summer Term draws to a close, firstly and most importantly, I hope that this letter finds you and your families well and that you have had a restful Easter. Ms Lawner, Mr Wheel, your tutors and I have been delighted to be able to speak to so many of you this week and will continue to make contact with those of you we have not yet spoken to.

I know that many of you will be feeling anxious about your GCSE results and will be as nervous, if not more so, than any previous Year 11 cohort. I hope that you were reassured by Mr Hogarth's letter, knowing that your teachers are currently working hard, gathering and considering all of the evidence available to them to ensure that your grades are a fair reflection of your hard work over the last two years.

Whilst your exam results have now been taken out of your hands, it is important to remember that your learning does not stop here and you will need to ensure that you are prepared for the next phase of your education, whatever that might be for you personally. The transition to Sixth Form is academically challenging; A Level studies are a big step up from GCSE and, arguably, this challenge will be greater for you than it has been for previous year groups.

In order to be fully prepared for Year 12, it is vital that you take steps to keep a healthy mind, a healthy body and remain cognitively engaged over the coming months.

This half term is Phase One of your preparation for KS5 – 'The Consolidation Phase'. To ensure that you are ready for Level 3 study, over the next few weeks, you need to ensure that you have consolidated your GCSE knowledge and skills, particularly focusing on English, Maths and Science as well as any subjects that you have chosen for A Level.

You should:

- Create a revision timetable, allowing 3 hours of study per day and at least 30 minutes of wider reading (Reading List and Revision Timetable attached)
- Continue logging in to Hegarty Maths and Educake
- Use the revision materials and knowledge organisers provided by your teachers: <https://rphs-achievement.weebly.com/>
- Use the revision materials and resources created by Pixl to identify and address any gaps in your learning:

<https://students.pixl.org.uk/#!/login>

Pixl School Number: 701810

Password: Indep5

At the end of this half term, you will begin Phase Two of your preparation – ‘Transition to A Level’. Whether you are continuing your studies with us or you have chosen to take your next step elsewhere, we will be providing you with subject specific A Level work to support the challenging, academic transition to Sixth Form.

Should you have any questions or worries about your options for next year, please do not hesitate to contact me from your school email address on: [hmcinerney@raynespark.merton.sch.uk](mailto:hmcinerney@raynespark.merton.sch.uk)

Best wishes,

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