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Dear Parents/Guardians

**Re: Key Dates & Events**

I am writing to inform you of some key dates and events that are taking place for year 11 later this term:

- 1st October – ongoing 6th form and college applications
- 22nd October Year 11 Advice and Guidance Virtual Evening
- 5th November Bridgnorth 6th Form Open Evening
- 30th November – 18th December Year 11 Mock Exams

**Applications for Post 16 Study**

As you may already be aware, applications for Post 16 study have now started. It is important that your son/daughter is now starting to look at what they wish to do next year. They have been given some booklets to work through in the tutorial sessions that give guidance on Post 16 study.

We will be holding an information evening for our Year 11 students on 5th November, so students can find out more about Bridgnorth Sixth Form. Please look at the Bridgnorth Sixth Form link on our website for the prospectus and application form which will be available after half term. Please also visit college websites and apprenticeship provider websites where you will be directed to application forms and any virtual or physical open evenings.

If your son/daughter needs any advice or guidance on this then please let me or Ms Barlow know via the emails below and we will arrange any help they may need. If they are still unsure of where they would like to go next year, we can arrange a careers appointment with our independent school careers adviser, Mel Lawrence.

**Exam Preparation Evening**

As we approach the mock and GCSE examinations, all groups will be starting their revision within class and students should also be revising at home. We are inviting all Year 11 parents to a virtual information evening. There will be a talk about the requirements expected of Year 11 students as they approach the exams, along with advice on how parents can help. The heads of department from English, Maths and Science can be contacted via their e-mail to discuss any specific subject requirements you may have. This will go live on the school website on the 22nd October.

**Bridgnorth Sixth Form Open Evening**

Due to restrictions on the numbers of people we are allowed indoors, the 6th form open evening is going to look different compared to previous years. This year students will be able to attend a physical open evening in school. Due to COVID restrictions unfortunately, parents will not be able to attend.

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Invites and flyers will be coming out to students in the coming weeks giving them a designated time during the evening to come and speak with teachers and look at the courses available. The applications for Bridgnorth Sixth Form will then go live on the 5th of November.

### **Mock Exams**

All students will shortly receive a mock timetable which outlines the length and time of all their mocks. These will be taking place in the Sports Hall and will be externally invigilated, replicating as closely as possible the experience that they will have in the summer.

It is vital that all students revise thoroughly for these examinations because if we are required to provide Centre Assessed Grades again, the results of these examinations will be part of what teachers will use to calculate their grade.

Students need to ensure that they have the following equipment available for every exam, in a clear plastic pencil case:

- Black pens 2/3
- Eraser
- Ruler
- Protractor
- Calculator (apart from non-calculator Maths paper)
- Bottle of water with all labels removed (optional)
- Pencil
- Pencil sharpener
- Coloured pencils
- Compass

If I can be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me or our student support worker Sarah Barlow on the emails below.

Yours Sincerely



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