



Dear Parents

I hope you are all well and coping at this time. I just wanted to remind you that if you need any support or advice to please get in touch.

With the summer exams cancelled, it is important for students to have something to focus on. I have a list of suggestions that may interest your child:

- College applications for courses for next year need to be completed, if they have not been done already. Students could be looking at college courses online and getting in touch with the different departments, asking questions about the course.
- Students could upload their details to the apprenticeship website so that everything is where it should be if and when something of interest comes up
- Get them to have a look at Grace in Year 12's article '27 ways to pass the time' from [The Phoenix](#) our school's website. They could review products, books, movies and share them with Ms Couch if they want to get it published on The Phoenix. If they don't want their name on it, it can be anonymous.
- Tasters are coming for the Year 12 subjects students have chosen. Start researching the subjects you will go on to study at A-Level. Have a look at the prospectus. Look at the topics which will be covered at the start of the course. Look up any key words; start reading around the subject, make folders on drive for each subject/topic. Start making notes of key words. Look online and find blogs, authors, websites and experts to follow on social media.
- Continue working on the 'absent work' which they have been set. They should prioritise those subjects which they are planning to take in Year 12. Keep in touch with teachers and ask them if they are not sure of what to do next.
- Learn British sign language - £3 for the course  
<https://british-sign.zendesk.com/hc/en-us/articles/360044794654-Coronavirus-Crisis-Discounted-Free-Enrolments>
- Reading newspapers - online papers are easy to access
- Read novels for enjoyment
  - Social distance bookstagram challenge from [Usborne Books](#) looks great if you have plenty of time on your hands to read. Curl up with a book and share your progress on instagram. There's a bingo sheet and prizes to be won!
  - FREE audio books for everyone from [audible](#) - there are lots of young adult/teen books available to listen to from your phone (you can't download them)
- Learn to cook/ bake
- Write a diary including key events from each day - stick images and pictures to illustrate what has been going on in the world



- Using different apps to keep in touch with their friends
- Spend some time each day outside
- Learn to juggle
- Spend some time each day doing exercise - there are lots of fitness videos on Youtube that they could access - Joe Wicks being one of them.
- Watch lectures on Massolit
- Start to look at the theory for driving tests

I know people will be getting bored at home and it is important that students do not meet up and we all follow the Government's guidelines for social distancing.

Please get in touch if you have any queries.

Kind regards

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