

5 June 2020

Dear Parents / Carers

We have now been working remotely for a number of weeks and it is clear that children in Years 7-9 will not be back in school until September. Throughout the lockdown period we have benefited from our investment in Google Classroom and Go Guardian in order to be able to effectively support home-schooling. Feedback from parents and students has been appreciative of both the quality and variety of work being set by staff.

You and your children will have been homeschooling for many weeks, as a parent myself I realise that this can become monotonous. In order to introduce other subject elements we would normally teach and give a different experience in home schooling we will be holding a number of themed days for students in Years 7-9. These days will be different from a normal school day and give students the opportunity to explore a theme and also provide a framework for families to work together.

Each day will focus on a different theme and be led by various subject areas:

- **Monday 15 June** - Wellbeing and staying active in body and mind (Personal Development and Physical Education)
- **Tuesday 23 June** - The world around us (Science)
- **Thursday 2 July** - My Futures (Careers)
- **Wednesday 8 July** - Finance in the real world (Maths)

These days will be resourced with ideas and activities. Alongside this there will be further enrichment ideas, such as articles, podcasts or links to lectures.

On these days teachers will not set lessons as normal and it is not expected that students follow the timings for the school day. If you would prefer to use this day to do other activities as a family or just catch up on school work that is fine. This is an opportunity to do something different and hopefully a chance to learn something new.

Yours faithfully



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