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Dear parents and carers,

RE: Year 11 information

Please find attached the curriculum overview for the Summer Term. It is hard to believe this will be the last term at school for our Year 11 students. I know many of you have questions about the future so I wanted to write to you with further information.

Qualifications

- **WJEC Entry Level Pathways (Options lessons)- students** have been working hard to complete units in their option subjects. These have now all been moderated and entered and these qualifications are all complete.
- **AQA Certificate in PSE** - students work towards this qualification in WRL and PSHE. Due to the lockdown, the exam board has given us an extension until June to finish off the last bits of course work from the Spring Term. On June 18th we will claim all the units the students have completed in Key Stage 4 for this qualification.
- **Functional Skills (English, Maths and ICT)** – you may have heard lots of talk on the news about the summer exams for Year 11 students. We have been waiting for Ofqual/ DfE decisions on Functional Skills. As these qualifications have 'on-demand' shorter assessments they have been permitted to continue to proceed as long as they are delivered in line with public health measures and guidelines. Therefore, students **will be taking** these assessments this term between May 10th and 21st. I wanted to assure you, as always, we will make these assessments as calm a time as possible and will continue to implement protective measures during these times.

Transition to Post 16

Now the restrictions have started to ease we have been working closely with the staff team at Petroc to start getting plans in place for transition. This is what I can tell you at the moment:

- **Petroc Tutor Visits** – On Thursday 29th April Tutors from Petroc will be coming into school to talk to each class. This will be a friendly meet for students to put names to faces and ask a few questions.



- **Friday 14th May** - Year 11 Taster Day to Petroc, North Devon. Students will come to school as usual and will be taken up to Petroc for their taster day by Lampard staff. Once the full programme is available I will send out further details.
- **Class visits to Petroc** - Classes are now able to plan informal visits to Petroc, North Devon. The Liberty Centre is now open for take away food/drink and the plan is for classes to walk up to Petroc for a drink/snack outside and have a chance to meet with Petroc tutors. Your child's Tutor will notify you of specific dates.
- **Parent Events** – We know this may be a worrying time for you and may have lots of questions. Petroc are in the process of planning some bespoke Open Events for parents - which will be by appointment slots. These will most likely be after half term and we will be in touch when we have any more details.

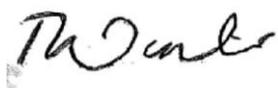
We will continue to work together to support the students through their transition and keep you updated. We will, of course, be looking at ways to support students who will be attending other Post-16 provisions and will be in touch about this.

Leavers' Celebrations

The current set date for Year 11s to leave school is **Friday 25th June 2021**. Traditionally, we have the leavers' assembly on that morning, which we are really hopeful will go ahead. I have spoken to the Year 11s about how they would like to celebrate the end of their time here and we will let you know the outcome of this when we have more details. Celebrations will all be dependent upon the latest advice from public health about group events and will continue to monitor closely.

We will keep you posted with any further information as and when it arrives. If you have any further questions please contact your child's tutor or myself.

Kind regards,



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