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Dear Year 11 Parents/Carers

RE: Sixth Form September 2020 applications and Transition to 6th Form Tasks/Bridging Units

I hope you are well and have found ways to adapt to the new ways of working and supporting your children. We appreciate that this has been a challenging time for some parents and many of our year 11 students who were all preparing for GCSE examinations which were cancelled. The different end to their school year has had an impact on staff and students. We are doing our very best to look at how we can now support our year 11 students in their next steps as Mr Greenhough has explained in his communications.

As we look ahead to year 12 in our sixth form and being prepared for the year 12 level 3 courses, we are setting up transition activities that we would like our year 11 applicants to complete at home. These are being posted on our website so that students can select the subjects they anticipate studying. The first stage of preparation is to complete these bridging/transition units which represent roughly 4 weeks work (6 weeks for Beechen Cliff shared subjects) and include a variety of tasks.

We will put sixth form letters and links on our ralphallenschool.com website in the 'Sixth Form tab' under, hopefully, obvious headings so you can all access them at home and we will update our resources over coming weeks and months. The 'KS5 curriculum' tab includes a document with the details of each course, textbooks, revision guides, good website links, etc. (This same document also appears in the 'Curriculum' tab.) The 'Year 11 to Sixth Form Transition Work/Bridging Units' link will enable you to access the newly introduced resources. As we know more details, we may introduce an 'Induction Information' link as well but we will hold off doing that for next Term.

We will keep in touch as we said over the next couple of months so we wish your child good luck getting started on these tasks and we are really looking forward to seeing him/her take his/her next steps into Post 16 education.

Remember your child is choosing to study new subjects or old subjects but can now investigate those subjects more so if he/she has time do some research, review year 11 work, read articles, look at websites listed in the KS5 Curriculum document, watch an online play, improve his/her general knowledge, learn the basics of a new language...to be reminded how much he/she enjoys independent and directed learning then this is a fantastic opportunity.

Please ask your child to contact me or sixthform@ralphallenschool.com or the named subject contact person on the transition unit if he/she would like more information and we will do our best to help.

Yours faithfully,

Ms J Haggett

Head of Sixth Form (Assistant Headteacher)