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Dear Parent/ Carer

RE: Year 11 After School Study Support – Continuing During National Lockdown

Yesterday, the Department for Education published their expectations for schools with regard to after-school provision. These expectations have been reviewed by our Academy Trust in light of the new restrictions of the national lockdown.

Further to my previous letter, I am delighted to confirm that the Year 11 after school study support sessions can continue during the national lockdown period. This is because the targeted sessions are an extension of students' core curriculum and this is viewed as essential by the Trust.

Each subject has carefully selected those students that they require for the after-school sessions and each student will receive their personalised timetable for next week by the end of Friday 6th November and by the following Friday for subsequent weeks. Students are expected to attend and we very much expect that parents and carers will want to support us in this matter. You will receive a text message 24 hours in advance as a reminder to these students to attend, and would ask that where this is received you talk to your child about the importance of the session and remind them to attend. If other students have not been identified but wish to attend, they are very welcome to do so. We will be monitoring attendance at the sessions and will be in contact with parents and carers should any student not attend.

Due to the impact of the national lockdown restrictions on staffing capacity, Timber, 3D Design, Catering and Child Development will be included and prioritised in the second round of the programme rather than in this first block.

For your information, Travel and Tourism has moved from a Thursday afternoon to a Wednesday afternoon due to unforeseen circumstances.

Our priority remains the education and wellbeing of our students. Despite the continued challenges of the national pandemic for our community, we will continue to focus on the highest quality teaching and learning within lesson time and to provide homework to support student learning and recall.

It is vital that students regularly complete and submit their homework through our Show My Homework on-line platform. If you wish to have oversight of your child's

homework and have not yet created a parent account, please do contact me at Melissa.lock@hayleacademy.net for further information.

Once again, many thanks for your continued partnership and invaluable support throughout this challenging and unprecedented time for our school and our community.

We look forward to welcoming students to the after-school sessions next week.

Yours faithfully

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