

April 2020

Dear Year 11

### **Post 16 Learning**

Becoming a sixth former is an exciting time and when you are a student at Outwood Grange Academy Post 16 you become part of a community of excellence where you are given the opportunity to flourish. Your experience here is so much more than A-Levels or BTEC qualifications alone; our enrichment programme, symposium program, guidance team and careers advice will enable you to develop into the best version of you.

We are mindful that by now, you have finished learning in school over a month ago. We are here to help and support you and hopefully guide you to make the most of your time for the next few months. In order to help you transition towards Post 16 learning, our teachers have prepared learning activities for each of the subjects you have chosen. This is work that you can complete during the summer term to consolidate some of your learning from GCSE and will introduce topics you will study with us in September.

This work is for all Year 11 students, even if you are thinking of going to a different sixth form or college. Although, if you haven't done so already or if you have changed your mind, it is not too late to apply to us. The link to our online application is:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScNMJHydQVvUZReH-IEV7FSSyMFEEWODdtbfAENYCiHtNvu9w/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScNMJHydQVvUZReH-IEV7FSSyMFEEWODdtbfAENYCiHtNvu9w/viewform?usp=sf_link)

You can find the prospectus link at the bottom of the page here:

<https://post16.grange.outwood.com/>

### **What to expect in the months to come**

#### **May and June**

During this month we will be interviewing those of you that have not yet had an interview over the phone due to submitting your applications after school closures. Mrs Knowles will give you a ring and can either carry out the interview there and then or rearrange at a time that is convenient for you. Please don't worry about the interview, the purpose of the call is to learn about you, your interests and to establish what you would like to study and if you can study the combination of subjects that you would like.

## July

During this month we will upload the summer projects for each subject for students who have been interviewed and who have been given a conditional offer. A text will be sent out to notify you of this so that you can go onto the classroom and download your projects. This project is different to the work available in this classroom and is to be completed over the summer holidays. These projects must be handed in to your subject teachers when you enrol with us into Year 12. This important work will form the basis of the initial assessments that you will complete at the very start of the new term. Your summer projects, GCSE grades and initial assessments during your first week back in class will all be reviewed early in the new term to help us to establish any additional support needs and to finalise the course choices made during enrolment.

## Careers Inc

Now is a great time to speak with our Careers Advisors. Please follow the link below if you would like to speak with an advisor directly:

<https://www.careersinc.uk/blog/2020/04/20/virtual-careers-advice/>

You can also follow our Instagram account @OGAPost16 for more careers advice and current opportunities.

**In addition, for those interested in careers in Healthcare, Medicine, Dentistry, Psychology** - the Health Sciences outreach team are offering workshops online:

<https://www.healthsciences.leeds.ac.uk/online-activities/>

They will be offering a series of workshops through May but you need to register your interest by 28th April: <https://www.healthsciences.leeds.ac.uk/events/online-workshops/>

There is also a virtual summer school for each of Medicine, Dentistry, Healthcare and Psychology, sign up by 1st May: <https://www.healthsciences.leeds.ac.uk/events/online-summer-schools-and-taster-weeks/>

In the meantime, enjoy this time to enrich your minds, learn what you love and keep safe!

Yours faithfully



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