



## Haberdashers' Monmouth Schools

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Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> April 2020

Dear Year 11 Students and Parents,

### **Re: Summer term 2020**

From April 21<sup>st</sup> until 1<sup>st</sup> May your Year 11 teaching and learning will continue. Teachers will deliver lessons that consolidate, extend or enrich the GCSE syllabus material so that you are prepared for the Autumn examinations if need be.

In place of the summer examinations, from 4<sup>th</sup> May until 19<sup>th</sup> June, departments are devising an exciting extension programme of courses to help you prepare for your A level studies. This programme runs until the 19<sup>th</sup> June so that you can still enjoy the extended summer break that you had all been looking forward to.

This programme has been designed to be as flexible as possible. You can select the subject courses which you wish to continue. These courses will be a series of lessons/assignments that will focus on skills which will prepare you for your A levels. These courses will be delivered by your subject teachers, unless you have chosen a subject only offered in the Sixth Form. You can expect some of your normal lesson time to involve instruction from your teacher and some to involve independent work. We will also provide pre-A level resources for the subjects, which are only offered in the Sixth Form, such as Economics.

We advise you to take five courses as a minimum; this will allow you some spare time to complete some of the enrichment activities available from 'Habsmonmouth Online'  
<https://www.habsmonmouth.org/online/enrichment-and-life-skills/>

Your tutor will contact you at the start of the summer term to discuss the enrichment activities that you might sign up for. You will be expected to study for approximately 2 hours per week on each subject. Your selection of courses should include the subjects that you intend to study at A level along with two other subjects that would be the most useful for your needs. Please also consider that some subjects require skills that can be enhanced by the study of other subjects.

For example:

- Biology, Chemistry, Physics require Maths skills
- Drama and Geography benefit from English skills
- Economics benefits from Maths, History and Geography skills
- English benefits from modern and/or ancient languages and History

We will be asking you to let us know what subjects you are selecting once term starts on the 21<sup>st</sup> April. This is an exciting opportunity not only to prepare yourself for A levels but also to broaden your educational experience through enrichment activities.

Our aim is to continue to provide as holistic an education as possible over the coming weeks. With this in mind, you will continue to have regular contact with your tutor who will guide you in your choice of online

programmes to support extra-curricular activities, be that drama, music or physical activity. We will also continue to provide you with access to careers and university advice.

With best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Daniel". The letters are cursive and connected.A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jessica Miles". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal flourish at the end.

Dr Andrew Daniel and Mrs Jessica Miles