



St Mary's and St John's CE School

"With God, all things are possible" (Matthew 19:26)

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Dear Year 9 Parents/Carers,

Re: Changes to the Distance Learning Timetable

I hope this letter finds you and your family well. We wanted to thank you for all your hard work in supporting your children with Distance Learning during lockdown. We know it has not been easy balancing this with your own work and other family commitments.

Up until now Year 9 students have been following a curriculum based on their Year 9 timetable. However, as we have now completed the options process, we would like to take the opportunity to give Year 9s a headstart in their GCSEs and also to support them to engage further with their Distance Learning.

As a result, the timetable will alter slightly after the Half Term break. Your child will continue to be set three pieces of learning per day. They will be asked to continue with their core subjects along with the subjects they have chosen to study at GCSE. Detailed instructions will be provided for this new format when students receive their Distance Learning timetable on 1st June. Staff will continue to make their subjects and tasks as engaging and accessible as possible. We hope that students will find this an exciting opportunity for them to start their GCSE journey, prior to Year 10.

Next week there will be no work set for our students in Year 9 as we recognise the need for them to have a break from the structure of Distance Learning.

Thank you in advance for your support and cooperation. We appreciate the difficulties associated with Distanced Learning but are confident that the Year 9 students will benefit immensely from this new timetable.

Please do not hesitate to contact myself or Mr Davite with any questions or concerns.

Yours faithfully,

Ms A Thomas
Assistant Principal

Mr J Davite
Head of Year 9