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Dear Year 10 Parent/Carer

## Online Learning

We are now in the fourth week of Online Learning which, for the majority of our year group, is happening at home. For many of our students this is proving to be an unsettling time and there are sure to be concerns about keeping up with their school studies alongside keeping safe with their families. Whilst this is true, it is equally an excellent opportunity for your son/daughter to develop their resilience with regard to their independent learning study habits; so fundamentally important as they approach Year 11.

Whilst we do not currently know when this period of school closure will end, we do know that the GCSE Mock Exams will take place in December of this year. Whilst I do not wish to add further pressure to your children at this time, I would ask that you have a conversation with them to make sure that they understand the need to be fully prepared for these examinations. More so than ever, these Mock Exams will have great importance to your son/daughter and I therefore urge them not to get too far behind with their home studies now. Work is set for every lesson in the school day and therefore they should be receiving six pieces of work or tasks for every day that they would have been in school. Each piece of work is entered onto ShowMyHomeWork.

We are recognising those students who are working conscientiously through their work each day and submitting work of a high standard. Equally, we are becoming increasingly aware that some students are struggling to be motivated with their work and there will be letters going out later this week where there are concerns with quality or quantity of work handed in. We ask that if you receive one of these letters, that you address it immediately with your child to enable us to work together to support your son/daughter.

We understand that there may be technical difficulties which mean that work cannot be submitted, in which case please use this email address to alert us: [homework@nowerhill.harrow.sch.uk](mailto:homework@nowerhill.harrow.sch.uk) or a situation at home which is currently making it difficult for your son/daughter to work, in which case please use this email address to alert their Year Coordinators: [admin@nowerhill.harrow.sch.uk](mailto:admin@nowerhill.harrow.sch.uk).

Please do get in touch, using the above contacts, if you have any questions.

Wishing you and your family health and safety at this time.

Yours sincerely

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