



Tomlinscote School

19th April 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are keen to continue supporting our Year 11 students in their preparation for life after Tomlinscote and are aware that some students are wanting to continue studying in some way but are not sure how best to do this.

With this in mind, we have put together some resources to both keep students going on their journey as learners over what will be a long summer, and to help with transition to post-16 study in September. The links attached below cover courses and college preparation activities which students will hopefully find interesting and beneficial.

Courses:

<https://www.open.edu/openlearn/free-courses/full-catalogue#> - A full catalogue of courses provided by the Open University.

<https://www.futurelearn.com/courses> - A range of time bound courses that extend beyond the classroom into critical thinking and application of knowledge.

<https://alison.com/> - A huge number of courses which are all free and cover topics from technology to cookery; there really is something for everyone on this site!

College preparation work:

<https://prepwork.farnborough.ac.uk/> - This page lists all the courses available to study at the Sixth Form College Farnborough, with a link to some preparation work to help students start to develop skills that are relevant to the subjects they plan to study. This is a top priority if they intend to go to this college.

<https://www.wsfc.ac.uk/preparing-for-sixth-form-study/> - Worcester Sixth Form College have an excellent page of prep work for a range of subjects studied at sixth form. Although this is not local to us, it is a great site to use to support preparation for sixth form at any college.

<https://www.gresham.ac.uk/watch/?> – Lectures on a variety of subjects and topics available to stream for free.

<https://amazingapprenticeships.com/live-broadcasts/> - A series of free broadcasts from a vast number of apprenticeship providers giving an insight into being an apprentice in a wide range of sectors.

<https://www.birmingham.ac.uk/undergraduate/preparing-for-university/Prospective-Student-Hub/year-11/revision-resources.aspx> - Resources listed by subject which give students a flavour of what each subject is like to study at A Level.

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Careers and post-16 support:

START – They provide a great website to support students with information about courses, apprenticeships, exam information and careers.

<https://guest.startprofile.com/article/140>

There is, of course, no expectation of our Year 11 students to complete any of the work above; the intention is purely to provide suitable resources for those students who wish to continue with their studies over the summer period.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Major
Principal