



Dear Year 11 students,

Year 11 learning in the summer term!

Congratulations for everything you have achieved in Year 11 so far! Your GCSE courses may have come to an abrupt end but you are still brilliant, ambitious and curious people and I'm sure you will be keen to get started on your sixth form courses as well as developing your knowledge and skills.

You will have been studying for your GCSEs for nearly 2 years and in normal circumstances would be revising what you have studied and preparing very seriously for your examinations. This consolidation is important as you prepare for the next stage of your studies, typically joining Sixth Form. The other benefit of revision is that it is a learning process and will support success in future exams.

What next for year 11's?

All 11's starting Shoreham sixth form are ordinarily expected to complete sixth form 'bridging work' over the summer, but we have brought this forward as a result of the corona-virus pandemic. This is a really exciting opportunity for you to explore subjects in more detail and connect with Shoreham sixth form subject teachers regularly on a new and deeper level. A Level & BTEC preparation tasks - these will be set by your subject teachers for your A level & prospective BTEC subjects from week beginning 11th May.

Bridging the gap

The jump from studying at GCSE to Level 3 qualifications often catches students out. As well as the need for more self-motivation and independent study there are big leaps in terms of background reading, research and work that are required. The work put forward by departments is to help students bridge that gap. It is important that this time is used as a preparation period for the next phase of learning, be it A Level study, vocational courses or apprenticeships. We will provide you with a combination of activities delivered by Shoreham Academy and those delivered by virtual external providers. More detail is on the attached document.

Shoreham Academy Curriculum Leaders will provide tasks and activities to help you consolidate what you have learned from GCSE as well as introducing some of the new topics, concepts, ideas and skills which you will need to succeed at A Level and BTEC. There will also be some specific work which we will ask you to do and bring with you when you start sixth form courses in September. Remember, teachers & curriculum leads will be available for you to reach out to if you have questions.

What do I do now between now and 11th May?

- 1. Sign up to Unifrog. Unifrog will help you to explore your key interests and what career paths you can take to reach your goals! The 'how to guide' is attached.
 - Unifrog click here
 - 'Your Form Code is ' 2022leaversshoreham22'
- 2. We encourage you to choose and take part in one MOOC <u>MOOC click here</u> see more options on attached document
- 3. Decide if you would like to begin any EPQ preparation work. Contact our EPQ coordinator Mrs Morris at roberta.morris@shoreham-academy.org who can get you engaged with the Extended Project and arrange a supervisor for you: There is more information found here EPQ link-click here

What next?

If you or your parents have any questions please get in touch with us at 6form@shoreham-academy.org or if you have difficulties accessing materials please let us know. This information will be on the website next week.

We are really keen to see how you are getting on so we will be getting in touch with you to ask you to reflect on what you have achieved over the last few weeks. It is essential that you make the most of this time!

Well done again for everything you have achieved so far. The best is yet to come!

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