



# NORLINGTON SCHOOL and 6<sup>TH</sup> FORM

A SPECIALIST MATHEMATICS AND COMPUTING SCHOOL

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## Year 11 Summer Term Activities

Dear Parents and Carers of Year 11,

I hope that you are well and that your son has enjoyed a well-deserved rest after their final GCSE assessments.

This letter summarises the wide range of online courses and activities that your son should complete over the summer to ensure that they are well prepared for post-16 education. All links and resources have been posted on MS Teams in the Year 11 group.

### Norlington's A Level Subject Transition Programme

The link below contains lots of activities and resources which have been prepared by Norlington's A Level teachers and will help your son prepare for their A Level studies (if this is their chosen next pathway). Hopefully this will be at Norlington 6th Form!

#### [A Level Transition](#)

Completing these transition resources will ensure your son is well prepared for Year 12 so they should aim to complete them between now and September for each A Level subject that they are thinking about studying.

### Ten Step Transition Scheme to Post-16 Education

At Norlington 6th Form, we subscribe to a website which contains lots of materials and videos for our 6th Form students to use which help them with their A Level study and prepare for University.

Follow this link, and it will take your son to a Year 11 ten step transition scheme which will help them prepare for post-16 education. They should complete the activities for each step and watch the videos (password below) which contain lots of useful advice from past 6th Form students who are now at University.

[https://www.netsixthform.co.uk/resources/browse?category\[\]=46&free=](https://www.netsixthform.co.uk/resources/browse?category[]=46&free=)

Norlington student password for videos: **net321**

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## **Oak National Academy**

This website has free online lessons for a wide range of GCSE subjects taught by secondary school teachers from Oak National Academy.

Your son should use these lessons to embed their knowledge and understanding of subject content in which they are less secure. This is particularly important to do for subjects that your son plans to study from September so that they do not have any gaps in their understanding and can make the best start possible in their new post-16 courses.

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/subjects-by-key-stage/key-stage-4>

## **MOOCs: Post-16 Subjects, Careers and Vocational Experiences**

<https://www.futurelearn.com/courses>

There are many courses on this website that relate to future post-16 subjects, careers and vocational experiences. Some are listed for your son on MS Teams but if they search they will find many more.

All courses are free and they can pay for a certificate but they do not have to do this. They can reference the courses on any application, including their future University UCAS application, without having to pay. The courses run with a set amount of hours per week and they do them independently, at times that suit them. They should keep a note of everything that they do, and keep their notes too so they can refer to course-specifics in the future.

## **The Skills Toolkit**

These free online courses that will help your son learn new skills that will help them in their future education or career.

<https://nationalcareers.service.gov.uk/find-a-course/the-skills-toolkit>

Courses include:

- Practical Maths
- Computer Essentials
- Personal Growth and Wellbeing
- Business and Finance
- Digital Design and Marketing
- Computer Science
- Coding

I hope your son finds these resources useful. If you have any questions or require any further support then please feel free to contact me.

Best wishes,

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