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Dear Parent / Carer,

We all hope you are managing to keep yourselves and your families well.

Thank you for the feedback on our Continuation of Learning Plan. We are truly grateful for all the support and encouragement you give us, and we also do our very best to act appropriately upon any concerns expressed.

Our new format for learning is beginning to find a level and we are generally pleased with the engagement of our students. Students in Years 7-9 now have a reduced workload of appropriate activities. After meetings with teams of teaching staff, we have decided that Year 10 students in particular may appreciate the opportunity to undertake voluntary extension activities upon completion of core work. As is the case with all parents / carers of students who are already well into different examination courses, we are very keen to ensure that Castell Alun students are well placed to succeed and meet their potential upon their return to 'standard schooling'.

Year 12 students are, of course, in a similar position, and their learning experiences continue to be set in a similar way to when we entered this lock-down period. Using all means appropriate, we are petitioning examination boards to ask them to understand the position of students who will have missed sections of learning and lost vital time when they are able to resume normal studies, and we eagerly await further news on this matter in due course.

We continue to monitor students' current engagement with their learning. Please be so good as to check your emails on a regular basis because, if we are unable to contact your son / daughter directly through Google Classroom, we may well attempt to check in with you to be sure that all is well and you have all you need from us. If we're unsuccessful in contacting parents / carers by email and we feel there is a cause for genuine concern, we will probably attempt to speak to you over the phone or contact you by letter.

Keep safe.

Best wishes,

Paula Williams