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Dear Parent/Carer,

We wanted to write to you to outline the plans for the Business department over the coming term and how they will affect your son/daughter and hopefully answer any questions you might have.

Course Content:

We will be looking to complete the following topics over the coming term (aiming to complete by Easter) 6.1 Ethics and Environment

- 6.2 Economic Climate
- 6.3 Globalisation

Additional Support:

We will be running two Easter Revision sessions on Monday 7th April covering Exam techniques for Paper 2 and revision of Finance and Operations. The sign-up process for these will have been outlined in a separate communication from Mrs Bennett as DOL for Y11.

Assessment:

We have recently completed a Unit 5 Assessment which covered the recent Finance Modules. We will also be building in further assessment opportunities for Paper 2 during the coming weeks.

How you can support your son/daughter

- Ensure they maintain a consistently high level of attendance as we build toward exam season. This will allow them to build momentum and improve their chances of significant progress.
- Remind them of the importance of actively engaging in lessons consistent effort all the time leads to strong outcomes.
- Discuss Business topics with them and ask them to explain what they have been studying in lessons.
- Help them apply what they are learning to real world situation by linking this to your jobs and different industries.
- Get them to read the Business news regularly for example the BBC News Business stories online.
- Ensure they are regularly completing revision in their books. There is a guidance sheet in student books on how to revise. There is also a standard requirement for all students to respond to marked feedback in their books and to recap on topics that have been covered.
- To support any knowledge gaps students can refer to their exercise books and resources. The following YouTube channel can also be helpful for this: <u>https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCE9uWsZ2C3NYzzKRIo_mntw</u> As can BBC Bitesize: <u>https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/examspecs/zhrphbk</u>. In both cases, please ensure you select the correct exam board which is OCR.
- Please see the document attached to this email which has links for topic videos for the entire GCSE course to support further revision.

- You are welcome to purchase a revision guide to support your child's learning. Here is a link to the guide we recommend: <u>My Revision Notes: OCR GCSE (9-1) Business: Amazon.co.uk: Schofield, Mike:</u> <u>9781510423695: Books</u>
- Encourage students to complete practise papers. Papers and mark schemes can be found on the OCR website <u>https://ocr.org.uk/qualifications/gcse/business-j204-from-2017/assessment/</u>

Thank you for your continued support for your son/daughter and for the school. We value this greatly.

Yours faithfully,

The Business Department