

28th May 2021

Year 11 Arrangements

Dear Parent/Carer,

Today is an important moment for your child as they mark their final school day at Corby Technical School. We have been immensely proud of all of our students throughout their schooling and although we will be marking today with some celebration and good wishes, we will still have many opportunities to welcome them back in the weeks, months and years to come. As you know, this week has been especially difficult for this group of children, they have conducted themselves with maturity, dignity and true compassion for others.

Students' official Year 11 leaving date is Friday 25th June 2021. Throughout the next four weeks we will be on hand to support your child with continuing their learning and we are keen to keep in touch with students throughout this period. We have arranged a series of learning activities that are detailed below, as well as a weekly catch-up session with staff. Students should use the next four weeks as an opportunity to further their learning in order to prepare them for their next steps of their education.

Support for students:

- **Contact with families** – We will be communicating with families throughout the next four weeks, either with e-mail communication or by phone to see how students are. If at any point you would like help, guidance or support for your child, please get in touch with us by e-mailing: enquiries@corbytechnicalschool.org.
- **Open access for student study** - All students are welcome to use the school to study during the four weeks. We will provide a study space and staff supervision to support them with their work. If you would like your child to attend school, please e-mail enquiries@corbytechnicalschool.org to inform us of your requested days and times. This will be confirmed with you via e-mail. As I am sure you appreciate we will need to safeguard your child and we will need clear communication from you to ensure relevant systems are in place.
- **Careers Advice & guidance** - Students have worked with our careers and guidance officer, Mrs Thompson, throughout the last year. If you, or your child, would like further support with careers Mrs Thompson would be happy to hear from you. Please e-mail careers@corbytechnicalschool.org.
- **Well-being support** – Our well-being team have worked with students throughout their schooling and in light of the tragic events of this week we have brought in specialist staff to help students. We encourage you, or your child, to contact us should they need support with any aspect of their well-being. Again, please e-mail enquiries and staff will pass this to our well-being team. Our website also has a range of resources and links to other agencies that you may find useful.
- **Weekly informal catch-up session** – This will take place between 13:30 and 14:00 on a Wednesday, on Microsoft Teams and is an opportunity to have an informal chat with teachers and with each other. This is an optional session for students.

Online learning:

There is a considerable amount of time between now and when your child may begin courses in September 2021. I am sure students are keen to have a break, but they will quickly realise that it will be a very long summer. As your child transitions to their next stage of learning it is important for them to remain engaged with their studies. We have provided a set of learning resources that are available to all students. These are optional, but we do advise that students prepare themselves by participating in what is on offer. Students can choose to study as many subjects as they wish as at this stage as they may not be certain what courses they want to do, and this will help them to finalise those decisions. From Tuesday 1st June, students will have access to a wide range of learning materials to support them:

- For the students who hope to study **courses at Corby Technical School** we have provided transition study packs of work for students to complete independently. This work runs alongside some online sessions on Microsoft Teams, with teachers present to support their learning. Students will have a separate set of guidance that has been given to them today, which will be available on our website from Tuesday morning on our website [here](#).
- For students who are hoping to study **A levels elsewhere** they should make contact with that provider to see what work has been offered. They are still more than welcome to use our transition study packs and attend our online sessions.
- For **all students**, including those who wish to study an **apprenticeship**, or go to **college** there is a Careers transition study pack that can be followed. In addition, all students can attend the session at 14:00 on a Wednesday for more help or guidance.
- For all students we have put together a range of free online qualifications which will help students extend their knowledge and skills across a range of different topics. Links to these resources are available on our website.

We are hoping to offer Key stage 5 courses at CTS including: Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Maths, Computer Science, Applied Science, Engineering, Creative Digital Media Production, Sport & physical Activity. In addition to these qualifications, we are hoping that we may have enough students opting for A level English Language and Literature, therefore we have included this course as part of our transition learning provision. Please note that we cannot guarantee that this will run at Corby Technical School, however, it will still prepare students who may want to study this course at another school.

All work and online sessions can be accessed on Microsoft Teams, details of the times of the online sessions are below:

MONDAY <i>Monday 7th June</i> <i>Monday 14th June</i> <i>Monday 21st June</i>	TUESDAY <i>Tuesday 1st June</i> <i>Tuesday 8th June</i> <i>Tuesday 15th June</i> <i>Tuesday 22nd June</i>	WEDNESDAY <i>Wednesday 2nd June</i> <i>Wednesday 9th June</i> <i>Wednesday 16th June</i> <i>Wednesday 21st June</i>	FRIDAY <i>Friday 4th June</i> <i>Friday 11th June</i> <i>Friday 18th June</i> <i>Friday 25th June</i>
10:30 – 11:30 CTS sixth form transition lesson OCR Sport & Physical activity <i>Mr Rogers</i>	10:30 – 11:30 CTS sixth form transition lesson OCR Applied Science <i>Mrs. Brightwell & Mr Cox (Alternating)</i>	13:30 – 14:00 CTS – Catch-up session (Informal) <i>Mrs Brightwell & Mrs Ferns</i>	09:15 – 10:15 CTS sixth form transition lesson A level Chemistry <i>Mrs Brightwell</i>
12:00 – 13:00 CTS sixth form transition lesson A level Engineering <i>Mr Harley</i>	13:00 – 14:00 CTS sixth form transition lesson A level Maths <i>Mr Jackson</i>	14:00 – 15:00 CTS – Group session - careers support & guidance <i>Mr Rogers</i>	10:30 – 11:30 CTS sixth form transition lesson OCR Creative Digital Media Production <i>Miss Bellamy</i>

14:00 – 15:00 CTS sixth form transition lesson A level Physics <i>Mr Godfrey</i>	14:00 – 15:00 CTS sixth form transition lesson A level Computer Science <i>Mr Gourlay</i>		12:00 – 13:00 CTS sixth form transition lesson A level Biology <i>Miss McGrath</i>
			14:00 – 15:00 CTS sixth form transition lesson A level English Language and Literature <i>Mrs Brown</i>

Subject masterclasses:

In the week commencing Monday 28th June we will hold Masterclasses for those students who will be attending CTS Sixth Form. These sessions will take place in school and are an opportunity for students to have a taster of what the A level will be like. Students will be able to attend for the sessions they are interested in. Students can wear normal clothes and won't need any equipment. We will write with more detail but the dates are confirmed as:

Tuesday 29th June	09:00 – 11:00	English language and literature	C001
Tuesday 29th June	11.00 – 13.00	Physics	C004
Tuesday 29th June	14.00 – 16.00	Computer Science	SCSA
Wednesday 30th June	9.00 – 11.00	Creative Digital Media Production	C001/ SCSA
Wednesday 30th June	11.00 – 13.00	Applied Science	C004
Wednesday 30th June	14.00 – 16.00	Sport and Physical Activity	C004 / SH
Thursday 1st July	10:00 – 12:00	Engineering	A001
Thursday 1st July	13.00 – 15.00	Chemistry	C004
Friday 2nd July	10.00 – 12.00	Biology	C004
Friday 2nd July	13.00 – 15.00	Maths	C001

Sixth Form Induction Day will take place on Thursday 8th July 2021 from 9.30am to 12.30pm. There will be an opportunity to meet our current Year 12 students, tour the school and visit the new Sixth Form Centre.

Results Day

Results day will take place on Thursday 12th August. We will be sending more information about the logistics of the day nearer the time.

Finally, as we come to the end of year 11's time with us, I would like to thank you for your continued support throughout the years your child has spent at Corby Technical School. It has been an absolute pleasure to watch them grow and develop during their time here, and as they move on to their next phase of education, we wish them all the best.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs A Reynolds
Principal