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Principal: Mr Andrew Downing

Dear Parent/Carer,

I would like to take the opportunity to introduce myself as the newly appointed Vice Principal for Deep Learning at Outwood Academy City, whilst also introducing some improvements to our remote learning programme.

While I am sure that many aspects of life appear uncertain at present, I can say with certainty that there is a secure and exciting future ahead for those that show a commitment to their studies. We would like to support our students to make the most of this unusual time by making the following improvements to Google Classrooms:

- A provision of 15 hours of high-quality learning opportunities with regular online assessment and quizzing to ensure that all students still make progress through the curriculum.
- An allowance of time from Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May for students to catch up on missing work as we move to new work being set from Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June.
- The work we set will be easier to follow and easier to learn from. This should mean that students understand more of what they have been set and make better progress.
- We will provide frequent and supportive feedback. Our staff will make sure that work is completed, and that support is given when needed.

We will be providing 3hrs each of English, Maths and Science as well as 1hr of each of the options subjects. In addition we will be providing careers education, quizzes and other activities as part of VMG which should take 20 minutes a day. It does help to provide a structure and routine to the week. We would promote the following timetable:



## Outwood Academy City – KS4 Example Timetable

This is how you could organise your time...	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Session 1</b>	1hr Maths	1hr Option A	1hr Science	1hr English	1hr Option C
<b>Session 2</b>	1hr English	1hr Option B	1hr Maths	1hr Science	1hr Option A
<b>Session 3</b>	1hr Science	1hr English	1hr Option C	1hr Option B	1hr Maths
<b>Session 4</b>	20mins VMG Home Learning				

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I would like to thank you for all your support throughout this difficult time and wish that I could be introducing myself to you under different circumstances. It has been inspiring to see the commitment and creativity of our students through the work that they have submitted so far, and it should be a reminder to us that together we will emerge from this stronger and better.

Yours faithfully,

Mr Scales

**Vice Principal**