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Dear Parents/Guardians

Many of your children are now successfully logged onto TEAMS and are completing school work via this on-line platform. We wanted to outline the amount of work you should expect from each subject each week. Following the Easter break:

- Each week years 7 and 8 will be provided with approximately 2 hours' worth of work from each of the 4 core subjects (Maths, English, Science and Welsh) and will have an additional 2 hours' worth of work from each of the remaining areas; Expressive Arts, Humanities, Technology and IT, Health and Wellbeing (PE and PSE). The suggested learning hours of 16 per week may increase as the pupils adapt to the new systems but in the first instance this is planned to ensure they are not overwhelmed.
- Each week year 9 students will be provided with approximately 2 hours' worth of work from each of the 4 core subjects (Maths, English, Science and Welsh) and should have an additional 2 hours' worth of work from each of the following; option subject, Expressive Arts, Humanities, Health and Wellbeing (PE/PSE) Welsh Baccalaureate /SWEET.
- Each week year 10 student will be provided with approximately 3 hours' worth of work for each of the 4 core subjects, 3 hours' worth of work for each of their option subjects and 3 hours' worth of work for Welsh Baccalaureate/SWEET.

All these suggested hours will be reviewed as we move further into this process. The nature of the work will vary greatly from subject to subject. Some tasks may suit a project-based approach, and some may follow more of a structured lesson approach. We will endeavour to keep things as creative as possible to ensure your children stay motivated and continue to make progress whilst away from their formal lessons.

Teachers will give clear guidance as to how to complete the task and to the deadline. All work will be reviewed, and feedback given. Feedback may take a few days as teachers can be reviewing up to 20 classes, and their submitted work, each week.

Thank you for your ongoing support during these unprecedented times. At Cardiff West CHS the whole team remains fully focussed on supporting every child in their learning and ensuring they continue to make progress whilst at home.

Yours faithfully

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