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Congratulations on completing the first year of your programme of study and I hope that you have made good progress over the year towards your final examinations and coursework.

Next year will be challenging and the summer break is a good opportunity to prepare for this. Please take time to revisit, organise and consolidate your notes, and ask your teacher where there may be gaps due to remote learning. The College website has a useful guide to help you with revision and also has material for you to explore issues related to your subject area. Your teachers will have given you some guidance on your Summary Assessments about the areas you should focus on, particularly over the summer break. This should help you to make a really good start to your return to College in the Autumn. Please practise good study habits and attempt this work early rather than late into the summer break. If you have not performed as well as expected you may also have been asked to prepare for a resit or some assessed work early in the Autumn term.

Success within your academic or applied subjects is very important to your future progress. However, Higher Education institutions and employers are interested in other enrichment and work-based skills and experience you have gained along the way. Some of you have already taken advantage of the lockdown period to get involved in community based projects. For others of you, however, the summer break offers an excellent opportunity to explore paid or voluntary work opportunities, or to discover and develop other interests and talents you may have.

You should take time to reflect on the experiences and skills you have developed both inside and outside the classroom, and include these in a personal statement or profile about yourself in readiness for progression beyond Worcester Sixth Form College. Your Tutor or Careers Advisor will have already given you guidance with this. Your predicted grades will be emailed to you at the end of the summer term and reflects our judgement of the grades we believe you are likely to achieve at the end of your second year. You should use this information as early as possible to help you make a decision regarding suitable post-16 choices. Please note that if you are considering applying for a course or university that has 15th October as its deadline date for the receipt of applications, you are invited to attend Worcester Sixth Form College's Early Applicants Day on Wednesday 2nd and 3rd September. If you are interested in attending this event please contact Lin Bingley in Student Services (lin.bingley@wsfc.ac.uk) by Thursday, 30th August at the latest.

If you are required to attend a Course Confirmation appointment during the week beginning 31st August, you will be emailed with an appointment time during the summer break. Students who fall into this category should have been informed already of the likelihood of this by their Tutor, but it is always important to check your inbox for communication from the College regularly. The College year starts on September 7th and you will be provided with your timetable over the weekend of the 5th and 6th September. Please do not screenshot this as it may be revised in response to timetable adjustments over the weekend.

Enjoy the remainder of your summer break and I look forward to seeing you in the autumn term.

Yours sincerely



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