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# Principal's Blog

### Friday 11th June 2021 Year 11 Focus in June

Regular readers of my blog will know how very proud I am of current Year I I and how hard they have worked this year in a very difficult situation. They may have left us for normal lessons at half term, however, we now look at how we continue our support over June. This takes two formats.

- Virtual lessons
- In academy sessions

#### Virtual Learning

Outwood Grange Academies Trust is providing YII students with an exceptional YII Masterclass offer in advance of progression into Post 16, Apprenticeships or further training. All of the sessions are designed to support students to further their understanding and skills in readiness for the next stage of their education. We recognise that the last 12 months have presented challenges for many of our students and this offer is intended to not only extend their knowledge and love of their subjects, but also to address any gaps in their subject knowledge.

The Masterclasses are designed to either be accessed 'Live' taught using a webinar facility called Google Live or accessed at alternative time using the pre-recorded option. All sessions are relevant to any student and the aim is to provide a broad learning experience whilst also providing a 'Step Up' to further study.

For those progressing onto Apprenticeships or vocational learning, there are bespoke sessions provided by Careers.inc regarding how to be successful on these pathways. There is a careers session provided each day which can be accessed by students at any time and

covers topics such as budgeting, writing a CV and part-time jobs. Likewise, each week there is a Wellbeing session to support students with managing their mental health, making positive choices and sustaining resilience.

Any questions regarding the Masterclasses please do not hesitate to get in touch.

- Masterclass Google Site:
   <a href="https://sites.google.com/outwood.com/yll-masterclasses/home">https://sites.google.com/outwood.com/yll-masterclasses/home</a>
- Summary of Masterclases by subject/topic click <a href="here">here</a>.

#### **In Academy Sessions**

Students have added to their Year 11 Classroom a sign up sheet for a range of sessions in the academy looking at preparing for life. These include, writing a letter of application for a job, budgeting with money, basic independent living skills e.g. looking after your clothes, conservation, and the art of journaling. Our staff are looking forward to welcoming back students who have signed up for these sessions.

Information Site to access support can be found



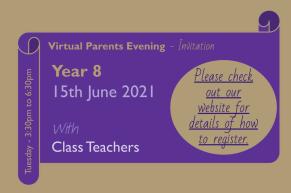
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## Guardian Summaries

We often receive from parents questions about how they can further support their child. One method is by signing up to **Guardian Summaries.** 

A detailed support area for this is here

https://classroom.freeston.outwood.com/home. Guardian Summaries will allow you to see what work your child has been assigned.



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