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Dear Parent/Carer

Last year we invested in GCSEPod, the award-winning digital content and revision provider used by over 1,250 schools worldwide. Although the platform is primarily aimed at pupils studying their GCSE's; we have taken the step to offer it to a cohort of pupils in year 7 and 8. We have looked at the data we hold on your child and feel the content on the platform will help to stretch and challenge your child as well as encourage a thirst for knowledge and a love of learning.

As a subscriber, your child now has access to GCSEPod's library of over 6,000 'Pods,' 3-5 minute videos designed to deliver knowledge in short bursts. GCSEPod makes learning and revision much more manageable: they contain all the right facts, quotes, keywords, dates and annotated diagrams that your child needs for GCSE success – all neatly organised into topics and exam playlists.

One of the best things about GCSEPod is that you can download any Pod to your child's mobile device, and then they can watch them at any time, in any place, with or without internet. It's like they're carrying a whole set of textbooks in their pocket! Make sure you download the GCSEPod app from the App Store (Apple and Android are supported) to access this feature.

We recommend that you talk about GCSEPod with your son or daughter – check that they've successfully activated their account and encourage them to make use of this amazing resource. Once they've activated their account, they can browse the GCSEPod library and create their own playlists – just as they would when they're listening to music.

For more ways to support your child using GCSEPod, please visit www.gcsepod.com/parents where you'll find lots more information and resources.

Your child has already been registered with GCSEPod, so all they need to do is activate their account by following the instructions below. If your child has already activated but can't remember their username and password, please ask them to contact a member of staff.

- 1) Go to www.gcsepod.com and click "**Login**" in the top right-hand corner
- 2) Click "**New to GCSEPod? Get started.**"
- 3) Select "**Student**"
- 4) Enter your child's **name, date of birth** and **the school name.**
- 5) Create a **username, password**, and a **password hint** to help them remember the password.

If you have any questions regarding GCSEPod please contact Mrs Fletcher who is leading on GCSEPod.

Yours sincerely



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