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Dear Parents / Carers

RE: My GCSE Science access

I hope you and your family are safe and well, and that your child has had a smooth transition into the Summer Term.

Although the school of course remains closed to most students, the Science Department is committed to continuing to provide an excellent science education and to ensure that your child will continue to make good progress through the GCSE Science course in the term ahead. We understand that learning from home can be a challenge, with multiple family members sharing devices and space, while parents have to work and supervise children simultaneously. Our focus, therefore, is to provide a high-quality, but straightforward, online solution that helps your child learn effectively and independently, with the minimum of parental input.

After much detailed consideration, the Science Department has chosen www.my-gcsescience.com, a leading provider of online GCSE Science education for schools. My GCSE Science learning videos and exam preparation materials will be an important strategic resource to support your child through the remainder of their GCSE course. It will be used to support learning at home during the school closure, to support classroom teaching when school reopens and to support your child's independent revision in the lead-up to their GCSE exams in the summer of 2021.

Studying science from home involves learning topics from scratch. The videos have been created by experienced classroom teachers and map directly to the AQA GCSE specification, precisely and comprehensively. To allow flexibility for your child, the videos can be watched on laptops, tablets or smartphones.

Multiple-choice quizzes are provided alongside each video. The quizzes are marked automatically and direct feedback is provided for all answers. Quizzes can be retaken after 24 hours. The results of the quizzes feed directly through to your child's Progress Tracker, with 'traffic-lights' on the video dashboards for each subject. The structure and organisation provided by the Progress Tracker will help your child navigate the substantial amount of content on the course and encourage their progression.

Exam-style questions are also provided for each topic. These will help your child apply their knowledge and promote the development of exam technique. **Tasks will be set each week on Go4Schools as normal.**

Students can gain access to the My GCSE science website using the login details below. You can also login and monitor your child's progress using the same credentials. Teachers will be monitoring progress on my-GCSE and Go4Schools.

Pupil login details

Username: *Pupil email address* **OR** surname.firstname

Password: tcs

Website: www.my-gcsescience.com

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Topics to be covered over the next 3 weeks:

Biology - B7. Ecology

Chemistry - C10. Using Resources

Physics - P1. Energy, P.7 Electromagnets & P.8

Individual feedback will be given on the multi-choice questions and support will be provided on the exam style questions via e-mail. Printed resource packs are available on request for those pupils without internet access.



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If you have any questions regarding access to this resource, you can contact your child's teacher directly.

Best wishes

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