

# Year 11 Weekly Update

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**Think Piece:** The coming weeks may present a number of challenges for our AMA community, but by sticking together as a unit we will overcome any obstacles we face! Make sure you pay close attention to the relevant advice being provided - and prioritise the health and wellbeing of yourselves and all those you care about. In these difficult times, think about how you could help those who may need support. Your small acts of kindness could make a BIG difference!

**Stay Calm – Stay Informed – Stay Positive**

Courageous  
and  
Resilient

Stay Healthy – Stay Fit

It is likely that you will be spending a large amount of time at home for quite a few weeks! No more basketball or football on the top playground for a while! Keep yourself fit with Joe Wicks at 9.00 every morning on YouTube or check out the following website for some great ideas

<https://www.sportengland.org/news/how-stay-active-while-youre-home>



**Staying in touch:**

If you have any concerns, questions or need advice:

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**The importance of reliable news sources:**

With lots of information being shared at the moment, please ensure that you are using trusted news sources. Don't believe everything on social media or WhatsApp - and if in doubt ask somebody for clarity!



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## What we know...

**Exams:** As it stands, you are not sitting them, *but you will be receiving a grade!*

The advice published by the government can be accessed here:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/further-details-on-exams-and-grades-announced>

Current guidance tells us that your grade will be based on **'teacher assessment'**.

When we receive further clarification we will let you know – *but you will not be disadvantaged by the current ongoing situation!*

**PLEASE DO NOT CONTACT YOUR TEACHERS ABOUT THE GRADE THEY WILL FORECAST FOR YOU. EXAM BOARDS HAVE NOT YET TOLD SCHOOLS EXACTLY HOW THE PROCESS WILL WORK**

## 10 things you can be doing now!

1. Support your family!
2. Follow the government guidelines!
3. Tidy up your CV
4. Ensure you have applied for Post-16 education
5. Complete some independent study into your proposed subjects for next year
6. Keep revising for English and maths – you may need to complete basic skills entry tests next year at some post-16 providers
7. Keep fit and healthy
8. Spend time reviewing any career plans
9. Think about how you can support your community
10. Begin a new indoor hobby? Baking, painting or reading perhaps?

# Social Distancing? Here are some boredom

busting challenges... *answers revealed next week*



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**Word of the week** - What does it mean? Work it into a sentence...  
**"expeditious"**

**Where in the world?** Name the country and the capital?  


**Famous Quote** – Who said it?  
**"Life shrinks or expands in proportion to one's courage"**

**Grammar time**  
What is wrong with the following sentence?  
**Can you give me there telephone number?**

**Name the element...**  
**Cn**

**Mental Maths**  
**102 + 70 + 167**

**Word Scramble** – Clue: An exact copy or reproduction  
**eimcsfali**

**Brainteaser:**  
**Three men were in a boat. It capsized, but only two got their hair wet. Why?**

**Year 11 – Future events**  
School may have finished for the moment, but we will have the following to look forward to at some point!  
**THE LEAVING ASSEMBLY**  
**PROM**  
**RESULTS DAY**  
**AWARDS EVENING**  
Dates are obviously dependent on lots of factors - but we will make sure that these events happen.