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Dear Parents/Carers

Re: Year 11 Additional Study Programme Launch

I am really pleased to share that the Year 11 Study Programme will be launching next week on Monday 4th October. The programme will run daily 3.15pm to 4pm (2.15 to 3pm on Fridays) in the Rutherford mini school area (located next to the Year 11 entrance/exit door). Please find full information on key aspects below.

Subject Study Sessions

All subjects will be offering study sessions on a weekly basis. Please see the attached schedule for full details of the sessions. Due to the number of subjects, there are more than one subject per day. If your child would like to attend two sessions which are scheduled on the same day, I would suggest that they rotate between these subjects fortnightly.

New Study Club

We are introducing our brand new Study Club, which will be available for students daily in the Rutherford open area. The Study Club will offer students an alternative to the subject sessions, with a quiet space where your child can focus on independent study and revision on any subject of their choice. Over the next term, we will be continuing to develop a bank of subject revision guides and resources, which students will also be able to use whilst in the club to support their studies further.

New Study Loyalty Reward Programme

I am really pleased to introduce our brand new student reward programme, which has been developed to motivate your child to maximise their engagement with our study programme by recognising and rewarding their attendance to these additional sessions. The programme will operate by awarding students with loyalty reward credits for each additional study session they attend.

Your child will receive their 'Study Loyalty Reward' card in assembly today for Term 1. Your child's card will allow them to keep track of the credits they collect each term. When your child attends each study session they will receive credits, which will be stamped onto their loyalty reward card (please see figure 1 below for session types and credits awarded). These credits will be collected throughout the term, where your child will be aiming to reach the credit level required for that term (see figure 2 below). Half term study sessions will also contribute to the termly credit levels (see figure 3 below for which term each half term is linked to). Students who successfully reach

the credit level each term, will be invited to attend the termly reward event to recognise and reward their hard work and success (see figure 4 for some examples of termly rewards available). Additionally, we will also be setting your child the challenge to achieve a 'Golden 100' credits across the course of the year. The reward options for this will be to attend a visit to either Thorpe Park or Alton Towers after the GCSE exams have completed in June. The 100 credits can be made up of achieving the termly credit levels consistently each term or by any other combination achieved each term. The only rule to qualify to be able to attend one of these visits is for your child to have achieved 100 credits by the end of the year (end of term 5). I will share further information regarding these rewards and along with details and costings in a letter at the start of Term 2.

Daily Registration

Students attending after school study sessions will be required to sign in upon their arrival in the Rutherford area. During registration, students will receive their credit stamp on their loyalty reward card. Refreshments and daily treats will also be available for students to have a short break between 3pm to 3.15pm, before starting their study session promptly at 3.15pm. To support the quality and focus of sessions, students will not be able to register or enter sessions after they have started.

Half Term Study Sessions

Half term study sessions will be available during the October and February Half terms as well as during the Easter holiday break. I will write to you before each of these holidays with the days and times the subject sessions will be running for that holiday period.

Home Support

Please could I ask for your support at home to really encourage your child to attend these additional study sessions. I cannot stress how important it is that your child spends additional time on their subjects outside of their lesson time this year. These sessions provide a great opportunity to do this in a focused environment led by a specialist subject teacher. I recommend that your child should initially aim to attend at least two sessions per week in term 1, but of course it is greatly beneficial if they choose to attend significantly more than this.

Finally, thank you for your time and engagement with the Year 11 information evening. If you were unable to attend the evening, I am pleased to confirm that the presentation is now available on the academy website, under the information and Year 11 tabs.

If you would like to discuss any aspect of the study programme or have any other questions, please contact me at the Academy or via email: dangreenwood@universityofkentacademienuist.org.uk.

Yours faithfully



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Year 11 Study Loyalty Reward Programme

Figure 1 - Session Credits

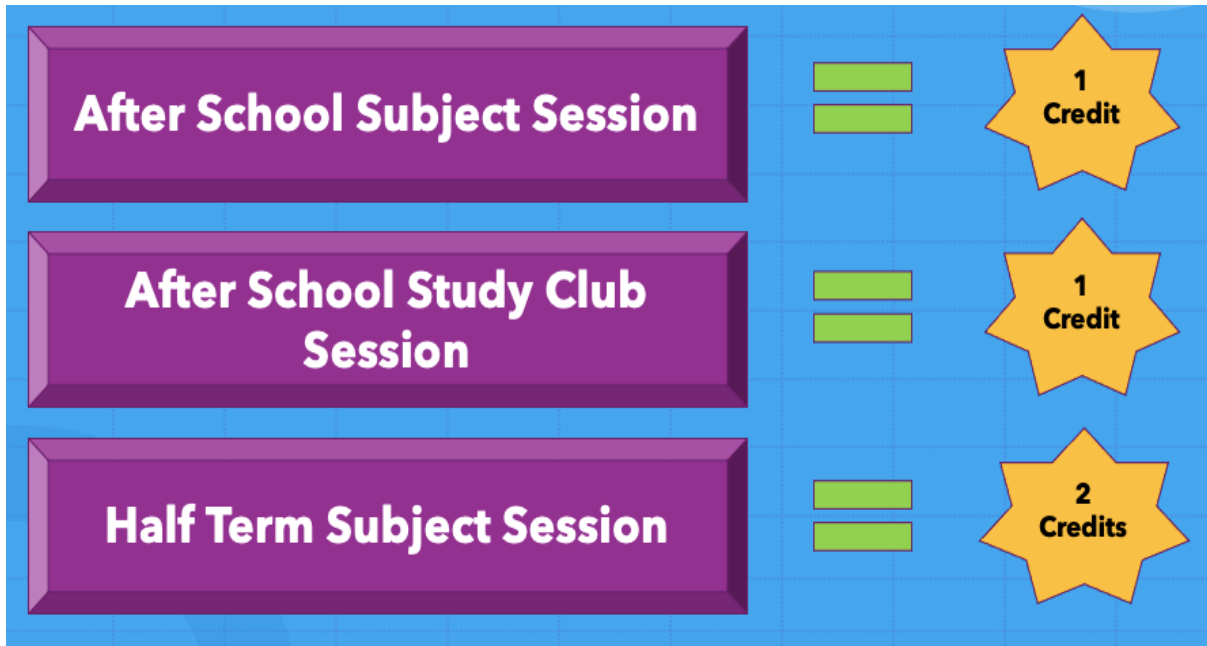
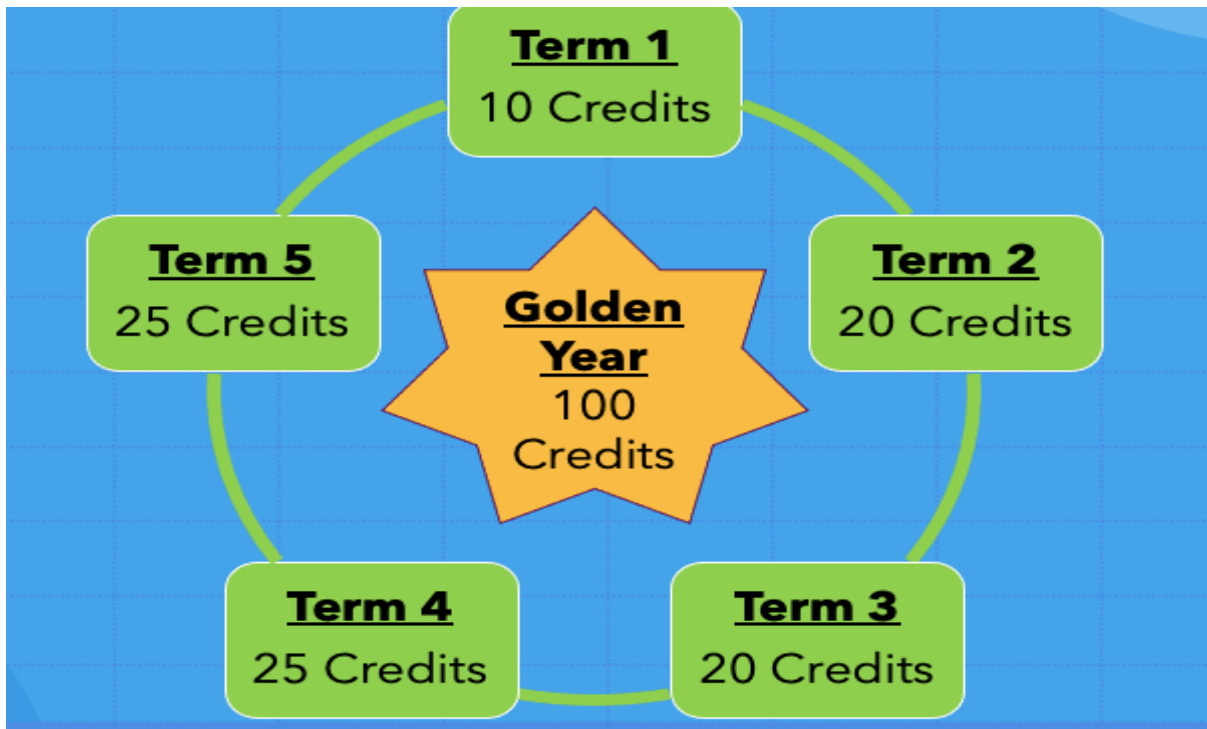


Figure 2 - Termly Credit Levels

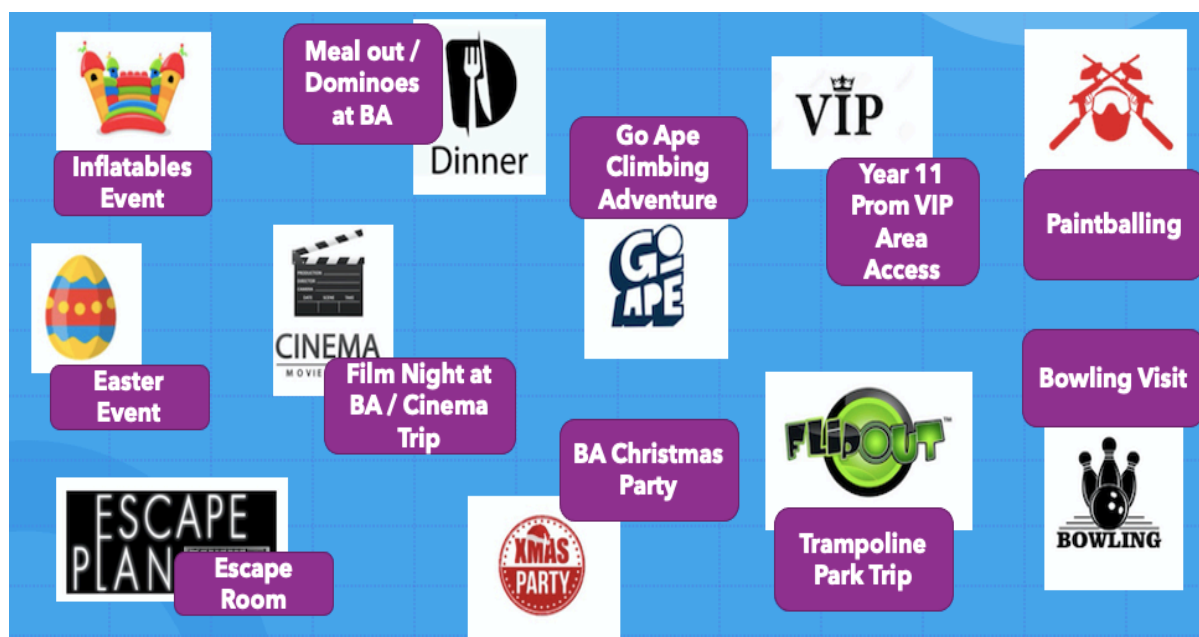


The credits outlined above in green is the number required each term in order to qualify for the termly reward. The 'Golden Year' 100 credits is the cumulative total number of credits required for students to qualify for the end of year reward visit.

Figure 3 – Termly and Yearly Overview

Term	Holiday Period	Credit Level Required	Loyalty Reward Available
1 (3 weeks)	/	10	Termly Reward
2	+ October Half Term	20	Termly Reward
3	/	20	Termly Reward
4	+ February Half Term	25	Termly Reward
5	+ Easter Holiday	25	Termly Reward
Yearly Cumulative	/	100	End of Year Reward

Figure 4 – Termly Reward Options



The above rewards are some of the options which will be available. Each term, the reward will be drawn by a student live in assembly. Students who have reached the credit level for that term (above in figures 2 and 3), will be invited to attend this reward. Rewards will take place at the start of the next term.

The cumulative ‘Golden’ end of year reward visits will be open for students who reach the 100 credit level, where students will have demonstrated consistent commitment to attending additional study sessions during Year 11. Further information regarding these visits will follow at the start of Term 2.

