Hi Year 10,

I hope that this newsletter finds you and your loved ones in good spirits and good health. Over the last two weeks, many of you have been back into school for the Maths, English and Science support sessions. I know that they are quite intense sessions, with a lot of content to review. I was so impressed with the group that I ran, brilliant effort and attitude all round, I've only heard great reports from other staff too, so really well done!

In the last newsletter, I asked you to begin to think ahead. Having a plan will really help to motivate you and keep you on track, “making every day count”. With this in mind I want to tell you a little of how our 6th form operates at BGS.

For the vast majority of you who successfully join BGS 6th form, you will study three subjects. These could be A levels (with exams at the end of Yr13), Applied Courses (which require a mixture of coursework and exams) or a mixture of both A level and Applied courses. For a school of our size, we have a wide range of subjects that we can offer, you will be able to find out more about the courses on offer and lots of guidance on how to apply during the first term of year 11.

BGS 6th form has a brilliant reputation, it would be great to see as many of you as possible staying with us for another two years after next summer.

I’ve also asked some faculty leaders to share a few words with you. First up is Mrs Priestley, from Science:

“Hello Year 11 to be, I wanted to take an opportunity to let you know about next year. You will be in classes with three teachers specialising in either Biology, Chemistry or Physics. If you haven’t already done so please can I urge you to sign into your Tassomai class. We have decided to carry on with this next year as it will support you with your recall of science content and will help us identify which areas you may need more support in. I would try to keep up using this 2-3 times a week on the run up to September. We can’t wait to get you all back in our labs, stay safe and see you soon.”

We know this next year is going to be challenging, you must play your part and make sure that you “make every day count”. Working together we can do it.

Best wishes and stay safe

Mr Brown and Mr Bridge