



# Notley High School & Braintree Sixth Form

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5 February 2021

Dear Parents/Carers

Thank you for the continued support and feedback about our educational provision via remote learning and to those attending lessons onsite.

## **No Screen Challenge & Wellbeing Day**

We have been increasingly aware of the concerns expressed by students, parents/carers and staff about the amount of screen time everyone is having to complete currently. Therefore, we are going to have a 'No Screen Challenges & Wellbeing Day' on Wednesday 10 February 2021.

All lessons will be suspended for the day and students will have to complete up to 5 challenges from a set list. There is a range of activities to suit everyone's interest. We encourage the students to select challenges that are different in nature and to 'take a risk' e.g., do not choose all art-based activities.

The challenges list will be uploaded to the website and made available to students on Tuesday afternoon. This will then make it possible for students to complete the challenges without the use of the internet on Wednesday. Many can be completed as a family activity.

Students must email evidence of the completed challenges to their Form Tutor by Thursday lunchtime. Each completed challenge will be worth 10 House points and count towards completion of the Notley Achievement Award.

Those students who are on site will still complete the challenges, but they may have a restricted choice e.g. cooking a meal will not be an option in school.

## **Home Learning**

We are aware some students are becoming overwhelmed by the volume of work expected to be completed.

Therefore, from Monday 8 February 2021, no additional homework will be set for Years 7, 8 and 9 students until the week beginning Monday 1 March 2021. If students have tasks to be completed, we encourage them to use this time to catch-up and submit overdue work.

Homework will be set for Years 10 and 11 students this week, but no work will be set to complete over half term.

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We hope you support us in ensuring the 'no screen challenges' are completed, as we recognise the importance of developing the 'whole' educational experience is more than simply gaining academic qualifications.

Stay safe and best wishes

Mr R James  
CEO/Executive Headteacher

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Head of School

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