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Dear Parent/Guardian

Re: GCSE NEA update - deadline extension

I am writing to update you regarding your daughter Non-Examination Assignment in her Design & Technology (D&T) GCSE. As previously explained this project has been running from June and we will aim for a hand in date for the students completed product by February half term 2020. Previously I have communicated the time line with deadline dates that we have set out for each section of the project. One of these deadlines for sections 2.3-2.5 I have extended until the 6/1/2020. This will mean that all students are required to be fully prepared to start section 3, the manufacturing component of their NEA. This section is required to be completed in school. We will continue to offer the catch up sessions that I wrote to you about back in October, on Tuesdays and Wednesdays, in T2 and T3 from 3.30 - 4.30pm. In these sessions students can either work independently on their NEA's, or access support from members of D&T staff. This is the stage of the project where they will require to access the workshops to complete their practical work, this will be available to them under staff supervision.

If students are falling behind with the NEA deadlines then these sessions will become compulsory, we will be setting them as detentions. We would like to see students attending as many of these as possible with a view to getting their NEA work up to date and to keep on track.

I have high expectations for all students in their D&T GCSE, and look forward to your support encouraging your daughter to attend. Thank you in advance.

Kind regards,

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