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Dear Parent/Carer,

## Year 10 - Tassomai

Now that your child is in Year 10, they have access to **Tassomai**. This is an online, multiple choice quizzing platform used by English and Science for 'Independent Study'. Students earn points for answering questions and gain even more points for answering questions correctly. Students work towards a set number of points, known as a '**daily goal**'. If students frequently use *Tassomai*, then the platform rewards them by reducing their 'daily goal' points total. Content is personalised by an algorithm that also selects the right content at the right time and gives more support in weaker areas, supporting their learning and revision.

Research into revision and learning techniques has found that the best way to study, and get knowledge to stick in your memory is to:

- Work for short, concentrated periods of time
- Frequently switch between topics
- Regularly test yourself

*Tassomai* is designed to do all these things but only works if your child engages regularly with the platform. This is why we expect **7 daily goals** to be completed each week in both Science and English. Staff will check the progress your child is making on a weekly basis, rewarding students who meet or exceed expectation. *Tassomai* 'guarantee' at least a Grade 5 if students reach 80% 'course completion' by the end of Year 11 (this percentage can be tracked in the usage section). Your child will be awarded a *Tassomai* badge in Science for meeting the following progress checkpoints:

- 25% progress by the end of Term 3 (February 2025)
- 50% progress by the end of the academic year (July 2025)

We thank you in advance for your support with *Tassomai* and all other independent study your child is given at Key Stage 4. Please do ask your child to update you with the progress they are making on *Tassomai* on a weekly basis. *Tassomai* will also send you weekly progress reports via email and prompt you to access the parent dashboard so you can view your child's activity in detail.

You can watch a short video here to see how Tassomai works in more detail.

Yours sincerely,



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