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Update & Guidance: Year 11 GCSE Design Technology NEA (Section A Deadline and Support)

Dear Families

I hope this email finds you well.

Following on from our previous communications regarding GCSE Design Technology, I am writing to provide an important update on your child's Non-Examined Assessment (NEA) progress.

Due to a period of disruption at the end of the summer term—which was unfortunately out of our control—we have focused our initial lessons on thoroughly reviewing and completing **Section A** of the NEA portfolio.

Please note the key updates and support details below:

- **Section A submission deadline: Friday 02 October 2026.** Submitting work by this date ensures your child receives comprehensive feedback and has dedicated time to make improvements before we officially move on.
- **Transition to Section B:** Immediately following the Friday 02 October 2026 deadline, classes will begin transitioning into **Section B** of the NEA.
- **Additional Support Sessions:** To support all students with the written aspects of their NEA, I will be hosting extra support sessions in the **T-Block**. These sessions are open to all GCSE Design Technology students, including those taught by Mr. Griffin, Ms. Croft, and myself.

If your child would benefit from additional guidance, structured workspace, or one-on-one help with their written work, I strongly encourage you to support and motivate them to attend these sessions.

Thank you for your ongoing support as we guide your children through this crucial component of their GCSE. Should you have any further questions, please feel free to reach out.

Yours sincerely

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