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Dear Year 11 Student,

**‘Dive Into A-Levels’ – Preparing for Sixth Form Study at the RGS**

Congratulations on reaching the end of Year 11. We hope that you are enjoying a well-deserved rest after your exams.

Whether you are already at RGS or you are an offer-holder for a place in our Sixth Form, you are undoubtedly weighing up your options for next year. We know that for many of you, all things being well with your GCSE results, you will be beginning your A Level courses with us in September. We hope you are keen to get started. You have an exciting journey ahead and we look forward to welcoming you into our Sixth Form and supporting you through the next stage of your education.

In order to help prepare you for Year 12, we have created a study programme to ease the transition into Sixth Form, **‘Dive Into A-Levels’**. Our Subject Leaders have worked hard to put together sets of useful and challenging learning resources to help you bridge the gap between GCSE and A Level. All A Level subjects have their own programmes, and you have complete freedom to sample the resources on offer.

To access the programme, go to the School website ([www.rgshw.com](http://www.rgshw.com)), select the “Sixth Form” tab from the top of the homepage and then “Dive Into A-Levels” from the drop-down menu. Entering the following details in the Secure Area will give you access to the resources (we recommend you use Chrome when logging in):

- Email address/Username: [sixthform@rgshw.com](mailto:sixthform@rgshw.com)
- Password: RGSHW2022

The purpose of the resources is to bridge the gap between GCSE and A Level; each subject’s set of resources is designed to take approximately three hours to complete. They are by no means an attempt to start teaching the A Level spec early. There is also an EPQ section with an MS form to complete if you are thinking of starting the EPQ in September. We hope ‘Dive Into A-Levels’ gives you an insight into your chosen subjects and allows you to hit the ground running in September.

Finally, **for those new to the School**: a reminder to present your GCSE statements of results to us at the earliest opportunity on Results Day. This can be done by visiting RGS from 9am-2pm, or by emailing a scanned version of your statements to [sixthform@rgshw.com](mailto:sixthform@rgshw.com). We have had a large number of applicants for places in Year 12 this year so the sooner you do this, the sooner we will be able to confirm your place.

Yours sincerely,

**Steve Noyes**

**Director of Sixth Form**