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Dear Parent / Carer

It was lovely to meet so many of you at our recent open evening. I hope you enjoyed the range of activities delivered by staff and students, I know they enjoyed having the opportunity to showcase these for you. As always on these events, we have a number of follow-up calls asking for another visit to our school. As a result of these, we have arranged an open morning which will be held on **Monday 7 November** between 9.30am and 10.45am. We'd like to invite you to visit during the normal school day to see students and staff at work. I hope you will be able to join us.

I have been asked a number of questions about the courses we offer for students in Years 10 and 11. The Welsh Government requires all schools to offer a Key Stage 4 curriculum that is made up of at least 30 subjects. There is also a requirement for at least 5 of these courses to be vocational. Our curriculum exceeds these requirements and for your information I have listed all subjects offered to students below.

GCSE	Vocational Qualifications
Art & Design	Duke of Edinburgh Award
Biology	Dance Leaders Awards
Chemistry	BTEC First Diploma Applied Science
English Literature	BTEC First Diploma Construction
French	BTEC First Diploma Art & Design (Textiles)
Geography	OCR National Health & Social Care
History	BTEC First Diploma Hospitality
Maths	Edexcel Applied Performing Arts
Music	Edexcel Applied Music
PE	OCR National ICT
Photography	BTEC First Diploma Sport & Leisure
Physics	OCR National Travel & Tourism
Product Design	BTEC First Diploma Animal Care
Religious Studies	OCR Creative Media
Welsh	

I am sure you will agree that our comprehensive curriculum enables all students to maximise their achievements by completing a course of their choice with a range of assessment styles.

If you have any further questions about any aspect of the curriculum or pastoral systems at Newport High, please don't hesitate to contact us.

I look forward to meeting you again on Monday 7 November.

Yours faithfully

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