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Dear Parent/Carer

Re: GCSEPod



We are delighted to announce that Furze Platt Senior School has recently invested in GCSEPod, the award-winning digital content and revision provider used by over 1,250 schools worldwide. As a subscriber, your child now has access to GCSEPod's library of over 6,000 'Pods,' 3-5 minute videos designed to deliver knowledge in short bursts. GCSEPod makes learning and revision much more manageable: every Pod is mapped to an exam board, and contains all the right facts, quotes, keywords, dates and annotated diagrams that your child needs for GCSE success – all neatly organised into topics and exam playlists.

GCSEPod is most relevant to students who are currently in Years 9 and 10, however it can also be useful and beneficial to students in other year groups too. Many subjects now have 'Preparing for Key Stage 4' resources which will benefit both Year 8 students and in some cases even some Year 7 (more able) students. Many subjects on GCSEPod now also have 'Preparing for Key Stage 5' resources which will really benefit year 11 students getting ready for Level 3 qualifications, as well as Year 12 and 13 students when they are either tutoring younger students or revising for their Level 3 examinations.

One of the best things about GCSEPod is that you can download any Pod to your child's mobile device, and then they can watch them at any time, in any place, with or without internet. It's like they're carrying a whole set of textbooks in their pocket!

GCSEPod also has the ability to identify knowledge gaps and automatically send playlists to help fill them. After completing any homework set on GCSEPod, your child will get a personalised 'Boost Playlist' of Pods relevant to their identified areas of weakness. We strongly suggest you encourage your child to review these playlists regularly as this will speed up their progress.

We recommend that you talk about GCSEPod with your son or daughter – check that they've successfully activated their account and encourage them to make use of this amazing resource throughout their GCSE's. Once they've activated their account, they can browse the GCSEPod library and create their own playlists – just as they would when they're listening to music.

For more ways to support your child using GCSEPod, please visit www.gcsepod.com/parents where you'll find lots more information and resources. Your child has already been registered with GCSEPod, so all they need to do is activate their account by following the instructions attached. If your child has already activated but can't remember their username and password, please ask them to contact a member of staff.

Yours sincerely,

Mr J Dollery, Assistant Headteacher