



HEANOR GATE SCIENCE COLLEGE

“Develop all learners to achieve their full potential”
“Create a culture of aspiration”

Principal: **Mr S Huntington**



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Dear Parent/Carer

Important information- sharing students' coursework/exam work on social media

I am writing to remind you and your child about the rules and regulations regarding sharing photographs of Year 11 coursework and exam work on social media and the internet.

We understand when students produce fantastic work that you may wish to photograph it and upload online to share with friends and family. However, the rules and regulations are strict and examination boards are actively searching online platforms to see if students' work is being shared online. If examination boards discover 'live' coursework or exam work posted on social media platforms such as Facebook, Instagram, Snapchat or Twitter they may decide to take action which could result in grades being reduced or, worst case scenario, students being disqualified from the qualification and receiving zero marks. Sharing work online also leaves students at risk of plagiarism.

This may be challenging to manage, but we are asking you to be vigilant to stop your child sharing photographs of coursework/exam work online. As teachers, we must also be very careful with sharing work on the school's social media sites.

Students' work must **not** be shared online until after the awarding grade is given, when it will have been marked, moderated and returned to the student.

We hope you understand our concerns and thank you for supporting us with this.

If you have any further questions, please don't hesitate to contact me via email at:
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Yours sincerely

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