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Dear Parents and Students,

Firstly, welcome back to all students after the two week break. With a few short weeks until the Easter holidays, it is important that all students make good use of all lesson time and aim for a minimum of 15 hours study each week outside of lessons. We recommend two hours of study each weekday evening and five hours of study at the weekend.

We wanted to share with all students and families two key documents. The first is about the importance that Landau Forte Sixth Form places on Trust and we are delighted that some of our Trustees have contributed to this document. Many students told us that they wanted greater control over their studies, especially when and where they studied outside of lesson time. In giving students this freedom, we recognise that we are placing a great emphasis on trusting each student to study independently without direct supervision.

The second document explains a new initiative which requires students to participate in an activity which is not related to their A-level or BTEC qualifications. This 'Non Qualification' activity is designed to develop a student's character, resilience and perseverance through the workplace or in a voluntary setting. Participation in such activities is not new to our students and many are already engaged in voluntary and support work, often for two or three hours per week.

Finally, we are grateful for the support parents and carers have shown when we have discussed individual feedback about a student's progress. We know that our students, as young adults, need to be encouraged and guided with their Sixth Form studies. We would like to remind all students that they should continue to attend lessons and tutor time as well as making use of the Sixth Form study facilities.

Please do not hesitate to contact me, or your Personal Tutor should you have any questions or comments. There will always be someone available to meet with parents and carers.

Yours sincerely,

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