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Dear Parent/Carer,

I am writing to inform you about some changes in Y11 homework in languages, and ask that you support us with these changes.

Our mock exam results for German and Spanish as a whole were really pleasing, however we feel that students need to work on Vocabulary learning at home in the run up to their next set of mock exams and the real exams.

We are continuing with our weekly vocab tests from the Vocabulary booklet which students were provided with in September. Each week we give students a set of 20 words to learn and they are tested on these.

In addition we have purchased a subscription to a website called Languagnut.com and this is a great tool for students to use at home. We are asking that students spend 30 minutes a week on their languagenut assignments. We will be setting vocabulary building and also listening and reading exam skills. We have developed a raffle ticket system so that students get raffle tickets on completion of homework and then small prizes are issued every fortnight.

All we ask is that as parent/carer you also encourage your child to complete their homework. Students are most successful when the triangulation of support between student - parent and teacher is in place.

This new style of homework will start the week commencing 11th December so please push this with students the 2 weeks prior to the Christmas holiday. We will then set a further assignment to be done before students return and from then onwards, a new assignment fortnightly.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me on a.foster@newbold.outwood.com.

Kind regards and thank you for your continued support,

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