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Dear Parent / Carer,

I am delighted to let you know that your child has been identified for a really exciting opportunity at The Hart School. To support your child in achieving strong grades to support post-16 pathways, we are working with a company called Oak Training who are coming into the school to deliver a GCSE Photography course to a small number of students. The students have been identified for one of the following reasons:

- They demonstrate an artistic flair and we know that the course is one in which they would excel and support their other GCSE subjects
- Their current and predicted grades suggest that they are at risk of not achieving eight qualifications
- Their current and predicted grades suggest that they are at risk of not achieving their academic potential in some of their qualifications

Oak Training are a fantastic company who have worked with lots of other schools in Creative Education Trust and supported their students in gaining grades 4-9 in their GCSE Photography course. The course is entirely funded by the school so there are no cost implications to students and their families.

The course is 60% coursework and 40% exam. We aim for students to take the examination around February time so that it doesn't impact on their preparation for the rest of their examinations. The coursework element will all be completed during the school week after half term, from and including Monday 6th November to Friday 10th November. By this time, your child will have completed 60% of this GCSE course.

As you can imagine, with only a limited number of places, this opportunity is in high demand so, if you would like to take up this opportunity for your child, please complete the Microsoft Form linked [here](#). Please be advised that if you take up a place on this course, your child must be in attendance in school every day from Monday 6th to Friday 10th November. This includes the INSET day on Monday 6th. Providing students with this opportunity is at a huge cost to the school so their attendance every day is crucial. We will provide lunch for the students on the INSET day. There is nothing that your child needs to prepare or bring. We just expect their attendance in school all week, with an excellent attitude to learning, and full school uniform. All equipment and training will be provided.

We look forward to working with your child and our external partners, Oak Training, to secure an excellent GCSE grade in this subject for your child, and improving their post-16 outcomes. If you have any questions, please contact me on 01889 802440.



Kind regards

A handwritten signature in grey ink that reads "Mrs J Mahon".

Mrs J Mahon
Vice Principal - Curriculum & Standards