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Dear Parent/Carer

Introducing GCSEPod to Year 9

In order to support your child through their GCSEs, we are delighted to announce that Tring School has recently invested in GCSEPod, the award-winning digital content and revision provider used by over 1,250 schools worldwide.

Your child will have access to GCSEPod's library of over 6,000 'Pods' which are 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. These are all neatly organised into topics and exam playlists.

One beneficial feature of GCSEPod is that you can download any Pod to your child's mobile device, and they can watch them at any time, any place, with, or without internet. Download the GCSEPod app from the App Store (Apple and Android are supported) to access this feature.

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 will be launching GCSEPod to all Year 9 students this half term, however, your child is able to access this with immediate effect. Please see the login instructions below.

Details of how to log on are here: [Log on with Google](#)

Your child has already been registered with GCSEPod, so all they need to do is activate their account by following the instructions below. This activation process uses their google credentials. However, if they have any trouble accessing it they can contact a member of staff or the GCSEPod support team found on the login page.

- 1) Go to www.gcsepod.com and click "**Login**" in the top right-hand corner
- 2) Click "**Sign in with Google**"
- 3) Enter your school email address and click enter

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- 4) Enter your password
- 5) You may be asked to create a password, this is for use with the GCSEPod free app.
- 6) You can now access the site, select your chosen subjects and begin Podding.

At the moment, students may wish to explore the 'Study Smart' pods. By clicking on 'Teach', these are listed as one of the subjects. Students can also have a look at the subjects they have selected for GCSE and almost all subjects have an initial 'Getting Ready for KS4' pod to look at where they will find useful information and more short pods to watch around the subject. Again, these may be useful to watch in advance of starting year 10.

For more ways to support your child using GCSEPod, please visit www.gcsepod.com/parents where you'll find more information and resources. There are parent webinars led by GCSEPod coming up on 22 April and 5 May, both at 5.00 pm. **Register for one of the free parent/carers webinars to find out more.** www.gcsepod.com/podup-presents-webinars/ Scroll down the page to find the dates.

Do have a look at this [Parent Information](#) for more information and watch this short [Video](#) with your child to get an idea of what GCSEPod is all about.

If you have any questions regarding GCSEPod, please contact Clare White cwhite@tringschool.org who is administering GCSEPod.

Yours faithfully

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