



Dear Parents,

All students in Year 11 have all been given free access to Wynford Dore's on-line brain training programme called Zing. The programme requires people to log on twice a day and complete the simple, five minute exercises. These exercises are aimed at promoting brain development which will assist in all types of brain functions; whether it is something as simple as recognising faces, or developing a better golf swing and even learning and remembering difficult mathematical equations.

Mr Dore and a former pupil of his programme came into speak to Year 11 last week to explain to them the benefits they will see from accessing this programme on a daily basis. Year 11 then completed an online assessment. It must be stressed that for the programme to really help it must be followed every day and twice a day for at least 85% of the time.

As an encouragement Mr Dore has offered to pay for students to visit Alton Towers for a day free of charge once their GCSE examinations have been completed – providing students follow the programme regularly in their own time.

I actually think that “every little helps” and would like Year 11 to follow the programme as it is only six months before their exams. I will also be receiving an update of who has logged on to the programme and what their scores are so I can keep track of usage.

It would be helpful if parents could discuss this with their children and have a look at the Zing web-site themselves – it really is a lot of fun and you never know your child may be able to beat Mr Grieve who appears regularly at the top of the Sudoku table! I look forward to your support in this matter.

Regards

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