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Year 7 Curriculum

Thank you to the parents and students who joined us for the Y7 Curriculum Information Zoom this afternoon. I hope that it gave you insight into the experiences your child can look forward to this year at Island School. For those unable to attend the event, please find below the presentation slides and Zoom recording. The answers to frequently asked questions submitted to the Google Form will follow.

[Presentation slides](#)

[Zoom recording](#) ————— Password: k3XHJ!^g

14th August, 2020 - Year 7 Curriculum Information Q&A

Question: It is fantastic for the students to learn modern foreign languages including Chinese. I would like my child to learn Latin as one of the extra-curricular activities. What kind of support, resource and advice could the school provide?

Answer: Latin is not currently offered as an extra-curricular activity at Island School. From Year 9, students may select Self Study Languages as part of their Elements courses and in the past, some students have opted to study Latin. Further information can be found [here](#). Additionally, your child's Year 7 Languages teacher may be able to recommend some resources or advice for self-study.

Question: Will we be able to see more detail about the curriculum? How can we help to enhance the learning at home, given distance learning is new to our family. Is there any homework given to our children everyday?

Answer: Please see [this](#) document (linked on slide 24 of the slide show) for more curriculum information. Further details about how to support children with distance learning can be found [here](#). Our Junior Phase Home Learning Policy can be found [here](#). Homework is not set for Y7 students during distance learning but a good habit of reading is recommended.

Question: What is covered in Technology lessons? Is ICT covered?

Answer: Further details about the curriculum in Technology can be found [here](#). The use of ICT is part of all learning at Island School and students are taught ICT skills in the context of their different lessons. For example: in Thrive lessons, students are taught to organise their Google Drive and laptop; in English lessons, they are taught how to format documents for different purposes and in Design, students are taught how to use software such as the Adobe Creative Suite that includes Photoshop, Illustrator, In-Design and Acrobat as well as 2D/ 3D CAD software and some micro-controller programming.