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Dear Parents

Computer Science Non Examined Assessment

You may be aware from the national news that there is a potential issue with the internally assessed coursework in Computer Science (NEA). This is an issue affecting all schools and exam boards who offer this qualification.

There is a national consultation process underway to ensure that students are not unfairly disadvantaged through the time committed to the NEA. This consultation will run from 27th November 2017 until 22nd December 2017. The final decision will be shared with schools from Monday 8th January 2018. This is an open consultation and should you wish for any further information the details can be found here:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/consultation-assessment-arrangements-for-gcse-computer-science>

At the moment the advice is to continue with the NEA under current regulations. However due to the available lesson time after the consultation period we have decided to postpone the NEA work until the final decision has been made in order to not disadvantage any student. This will allow us to focus on the mock exam feedback and to cover further theory that will go to support the NEA and final exam regardless of the Ofqual decision. We will advise you and the students of any changes to this as they are announced.

Yours sincerely

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