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Dear Parent/Carer

I am writing to you to keep you informed about the course requirements for the media studies GCSE **final** controlled assessment and to ask for your support in encouraging your child to work effectively on this unit to ensure that the deadline is met.

Year 11 media studies students are currently working to complete their final assessment – the practical production. This assessment involves students producing their own media text/product (film trailer/film promotion website). This is an incredibly demanding assessment; along with producing, scripting, designing, storyboarding and filming, students have to research their chosen product/genre, which should ensure that they meet the 12 pages of research and planning. This should include three pieces of analysis of existing productions, target audience research, a product brief, a production schedule and story boards.

Students began working on this assessment in October and they have been asked to complete their assessment by **13th January**. Meeting this deadline will ensure that students will then have a small amount of time to finely tune their product before submitting to the exam board, therefore ensuring they get the best possible mark. This deadline will also ensure that valuable exam intervention and revision time is not taken up by completing overdue controlled assessment work.

Can I also invite you – parents and carers – to sign up to Google Classroom for Media Studies 11D/Me1 (**code required is: fo016xx**) where updates, resources and, closer to the exam, revision materials will be available.

Thank you for your support and please contact me (mrowe@sackvilleschool.org.uk) if you require any further information.

Yours sincerely

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