

16th June 2020

Dear Parent / Student

Firstly, I hope this letter finds you all well?

I wanted to write to update you on matters relating specifically to Year 11 and 13 to keep you informed.

As you are aware, the A level and GCSE exams you were due to sit this year were cancelled given the situation with the pandemic. As a result, your teachers have gone through an extensive standardisation and moderation process of student work to ensure that students get the grades deserve based on the evidence available to them.

I have attached to this letter a flowchart outlining the process we have followed in line with OFQUAL guidance to ensure students are awarded grades accurately. It may also be useful for parents and students to watch this short video clip from OFQUAL about the process <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fRTyGmUJIrw</u>.

To reiterate, we are unable to share your results with you at this point. All grades have now been submitted and are subject to national moderation, as would happen in the usual exam series which means grades may change. I hope, that you all achieve the grades you deserve and have worked towards.

If for any reason, you are disappointed with the results you receive, the Government has indicated that you may be able to sit these exams in the autumn term. Further details of this haven't been published yet but will become available at a later date.

A level results will be made available to students on Thursday 13th August 2020 and GCSE results will be made available to students on Thursday 20th August 2020.

Our Exams Team will be in touch in advance of these dates to provide you with information about receiving your results and when to come to school to collect them. I say without doubt, that we are really looking forward to seeing you all again and sharing in your successes.

There will be staff available to help and support you on results day and a dedicated team will be able to provide you with advice and guidance on your next steps. For Year 11 Mr Brennan and Miss Hadley will be available to assist with questions relating to the 6th form whether it is to confirm your place or discuss a change of plan or even just options available to you.

For Year 13, help and support will be available to help with your next steps including guidance on what happens next and if needs be the clearing process for university.

Finally for Year 11, if you ordered photographs, these are in school and I will make them available to you on results day. Unfortunately, I cannot invite you in at the moment to collect them. I also want to reiterate my promise to you that you will have a prom. I still cannot confirm where and when but I haven't forgotten!

I wish you all the best for now, keep safe and hopefully see you soon.

Yours faithfully

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