



3rd April 2020

Dear Parent / Carer

Re: calculation of grades for GCSE, AS and A-Level students

Today at 11am, we received information from the Department for Education and Ofqual regarding the awarding of grades for the summer 2020 series. Clearly, as a school, we have a lot of planning and preparation to do to ensure this process is as robust and fair as possible. As Head of Centre, I have the ultimate responsibility for moderating and signing off all of the student data that we will submit, a responsibility I will carry out scrupulously alongside my senior team.

In case you have not already seen it, we are sending you a copy of the letter to students written by Sallie Collier, Chief Regulator, which provides information on what they are asking schools to provide.

As there is no requirement for students to complete any additional work, we will change our approach after the Easter holiday (assuming school closures continue); replacing the existing Google classrooms for Y11 and Y13 with more appropriate provision. You will receive more detailed information after Easter, but in summary, this will include:

- exciting A-Level Bridging classrooms that will allow Y11 a unique opportunity to begin preparing for their post-16 courses early, alongside participating in enrichment activities that will stretch their engagement and understanding beyond the prescribed syllabus;
- opportunities for Y11 to access support with their revision if they want to keep their options open for sitting exams in the autumn term;
- opportunities for Y13 to access support with their revision if they want to keep their options open for sitting exams in the autumn term, or if they want to continue developing their knowledge in an A-Level subject they intend to study at university.

Mrs Darbyshire, Deputy Headteacher, will update you more comprehensively on our plans as soon as possible after the Easter break.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs H. L. Millett
Headteacher

