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Dear Parents/Carers

### **Year 11 Exams and Reports**

We wanted to write to Year 11 pupils and parents to share how sorry we are that pupils will not get the opportunity to sit the GCSE exams that they have worked so hard towards. The conduct of Year 11 pupils throughout the mock exam period was exemplary. Teachers of Year 11 have been extremely impressed by the level of hard work and commitment pupils have demonstrated in the mock exams. We know this is a really unsettling time for Year 11 pupils and their parents so we wanted to share with you what we know and what happens next with regard to GCSEs and BTEC exams.

### **Year 11 Assembly - Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2021**

Mr Panayiotou and Mr Young will be holding a live assembly on **Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> January at 8.50am** over Teams to talk to pupils directly about mock exam results, reports, remote learning and the future of awarding Year 11 qualifications. Please make sure that your son/daughter has downloaded Teams and is ready to sign into the assembly on Wednesday.

### **Year 11 Mock Exam Results**

We will be emailing out mock exam results directly to pupils on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> January. These results are based on the exams that pupils sat before Christmas. They do not represent a pupils' final grade as they are a summary of what pupils could do at that point in the year. Any final teacher assessed grade would need to reflect the totality of the work completed by pupils throughout the course. This means that it is very important that all pupils in Year 11 continue to work hard and complete and submit the work provided by teaching staff. By doing so they will be able to provide teachers with the on-going evidence that they need to make an accurate assessment of their ability.

### **Year 11 Reports**

Year 11 reports will be posted home next week. The reports were completed before lockdown so some of the targets might refer to revising for exams. Although we realise that summer GCSE exams have been cancelled, it is still important that pupils look through their work and revise regularly for any future assessments which teachers might need to use to support centre assessed grades.

As part of our reporting process, we use 'grade most likely' based on current performance to indicate the grade that teachers think a pupil will go on to achieve. Please be aware that this grade might not be the same as your child's final centre assessed grade. As mentioned above, any centre assessed grade will need to take into account any on-going work and assessments and will be subject to internal and external moderation.

### How will Centre Assessed Grades be decided?

There has been much speculation over the weekend about Year 11 potentially sitting smaller exams. DfE and Ofqual are currently consulting on how grades will be awarded to pupils and we are still awaiting official comment from the DfE, as of yet, nothing has been decided officially. We hope that we will have more information to share with you soon. As soon as we have more information, we will share with pupils, parents and carers.

Thank you for your continued support and understanding.

Yours faithfully



**Mr G Panayiotou**  
Headteacher

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**Mrs D Cook**  
Associate Headteacher

