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Dear Parents / Carers,

Coronavirus – Awarding of Grades for GCSE, AS and A levels, Extended Project Qualifications and Additional Extension Awards

We hope this finds you well and coping as best as you can under the current circumstances. Please send our best regards to your children.

I am writing to let you know that we have received information today about how the DFE and Ofqual will organise the awarding of grades to students in years 11, 12 and 13.

There is a letter written to parents which can be found here: [A message for all GCSE, AS and A level students this summer](#)

In summary it says:

- Schools will be asked to send exam boards information for each of your child's subjects.
- This information will be used to standardise judgements.
- Ofqual will standardise grades across schools and colleges, to make sure that, as far as possible, results are fair and that students are not advantaged or disadvantaged because their schools or colleges are more generous or harsh than others.
- That means the final grade your child get could be different from the we send to the exam board.
- Your child is not required to sit additional mock exams or homework. We will provide some preparatory learning activities for our students who will join us at KS5.
- The information we send will be confidential. We will not be allowed to share this with you and your child.
- Private candidates may be able to achieve grades or have the opportunity to sit exams at a later date, possibly during the proposed additional exams in the autumn term as soon as it is possible to do so.
- Results will not be delayed after the dates they were expected in August, and may even be issued a little earlier.
- The grades your child will get this summer will look exactly the same as in previous years, and they will have equal status with universities, colleges and employers, to help your child move forward in their journey.

The school will now take the time, after the Spring Holiday, to fully review this information and prepare our system and procedures for submitting provisional grades along with the required evidence to the exam boards. These provisional grades will then be subject to moderation by the exam boards and Ofqual. We ask that you do not contact the College to discuss this. We will be in touch again after Easter.



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You may find all updates at the following location online:

Announcement: How GCSEs, AS and A levels will be awarded in summer 2020

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/how-gcses-as-a-levels-will-be-awarded-in-summer-2020>

Please continue to keep an eye out for further communication. All previous letters with key information are available on our website and can be found if you click here: [Letters](#).

Thank you for your patience in awaiting this information and we wish you all a safe and enjoyable Easter, as much as is possible in the current circumstance.

Yours sincerely

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