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Dear Parents/Carers,

GCSE and A level Exams 2021

As you are aware, the Prime Minister has announced that it is now not possible or fair for all exams to go ahead this year and the Secretary of State for Education will work with OFQUAL to put in place alternative arrangements. I am sure that this news will have come as a shock and students in Years 11 and 13 will be both anxious and frustrated about the uncertainty that lies ahead.

At the moment we do not know how grades are going to be awarded and we encourage students to try not to worry about this because it is out of our control. Instead students should focus on doing their best in every subject for the remaining months of their qualification; attend all remote lessons, engage in them fully and complete all work that is set. It is important to note that *there will be* assessments made which will enable them to attain grades for their GCSE's and A levels. We are committed to completing trial exams as soon as possible, but we do not want students to be anxious about this and to feel they also need to maintain their revision schedule in the coming weeks. We will give as much notice as we can, about when the trial exams will take place, to enable students to return to their revision and review the knowledge they have been consolidating over the last few weeks as part of their revision.

As soon as further information regarding assessment has been confirmed by the Government and OFQUAL, we will be in touch. Until in then, all our Year 11's and 13's can do is work as hard as they can.

If you have any questions about the weeks ahead, please do not hesitate to contact the School.

Yours faithfully

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