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Dear Parent/Carer

Last night's Prime Minister's address included the fact that exams will not go ahead as planned this summer. The exact quote from the National Guidance is as follows:

'In the circumstances, we do not think it is possible for all exams in the summer to go ahead as planned. We will accordingly be working with Ofqual (the exam regulator) to consult rapidly to put in place alternative arrangements that will allow students to progress fairly.'

We await further guidance regarding the process but would like to stress that the wording is fairly ambiguous in stating that not 'all exams ...(will)..go ahead'. At this stage, we do not expect that students will simply receive a teacher assessed grade (as was the case last year) but we are uncertain of the situation.

We are determined that all GCSE, A/AS level, and BTEC students are awarded a grade that fairly reflects their work.

More than ever, now is the time for all students to continue to work hard to maximise their progress in every subject.

Producing high quality work from home during the live teaching sessions is extremely important and we look forward to assessing work that reflects your child's potential.

We will ensure that, whatever evidence is required, your child will receive the grades he/she deserves in the summer.

The key message to our students is that **we promise** to ensure that they receive the grades they deserve. They need to continue to follow their teachers' instructions and work hard at home so we have a portfolio of evidence of their potential if that is what is required.

BTEC examinations will continue as planned in school this week and next.

We are a great community and we will get through this together.

Yours faithfully

Mrs Waugh
Principal



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