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Dear Year 11 and Year 13 Students and Families

Teacher assessed grades for students this summer

The Education Secretary announced yesterday that students will receive grades awarded and determined by teachers this summer, with students only assessed on what they have been taught. No algorithms will be used which is what caused so much anxiety and upset last summer.

Teachers will submit grades to exam boards by Friday 18th June. This will allow as much teaching time as possible before teachers make their assessments.

Results days for GCSE, A level and some vocational qualifications will take place in the week commencing Monday 9th August – moved forward from the week commencing Monday 23rd August. Students will receive their results for A Levels on Tuesday 10th August and GCSEs on Thursday 12th August. Results for relevant vocational qualifications that are linked to progression to further or higher education, will also be issued to students on or before these dates.

Yesterday's press release from the Department of Education can be read here: https://www.gov.uk/government/news/teacher-assessed-grades-for-students

Full details from the Department of Education about how qualifications will be awarded this summer can be read in full here:

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/awarding-qualifications-in-summer-2021/awarding-qualifications-in-summer-2021

Further details will follow from senior staff next week and when students return to school the following week, once this guidance has been fully digested. We will then be in a position to provide further details and clarity for students and families. In the meantime, our advice remains for all students to continue engaging in remote lessons as fully as possible, and completing all follow-up work.

We look forward to working with all students when they return to school from week commencing 8th March, and will do all we can to provide the best possible support in the coming weeks and months ahead.

Yours faithfully

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