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Dear Parents and Carers.

### Year 13 Arrangements for the Rest of Term

#### **Assessments**

You will know only too well that our Year 13 students are in the middle of their In-Class Assessments. On Monday 24<sup>th</sup> May their End of Course Assessments begin, with the last of these taking place after half term on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> June. We then have until Friday 18<sup>th</sup> June to complete our initial marking, confirm common standards and submit the proposed grades to the exam boards.

Since I last wrote to you there has been a great deal of more detailed information from JCQ (The Joint Council for Qualifications). In light of this we have decided – contrary to what I told you – not to release the raw marks from the assessments to students. These initial marks are going to be subject to layers of checks and moderation and we do not want students to be drawing inaccurate conclusions from the provisional marks.

JCQ has also asked all centres to produce a Centre Policy for the awarding of grades this summer. This official document is attached and is also published on the website.

### **Attendance at School**

From 24<sup>th</sup> May Year 13 students will only be required to be in school when they have an assessment. A register will be taken at the start of each assessment and the students will have to sign out afterwards. Once the End of Course Assessments have been completed routine attendance at school will no longer be expected.

# **Rites of Passage**

COVID restrictions permitting we are hoping to hold some kind of leavers' celebration during the day on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> June. The Year 13 Prom will take place on Saturday, 10<sup>th</sup> July.

## **A Level Results**

This year's results will be published on Tuesday, 10<sup>th</sup> August 2020. Students will be able to receive their results by e-mail or come to school to collect them in person. COVID restrictions permitting, they will be available in school between 8.00 am and 11.00 am. Staff will be on hand to deal with any immediate questions or uncertainties concerning university entry.

Yours sincerely,

N. J. Wares

**Natalie Waters**