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Dear Parent/Carer

As we come to the close of another day of remote/home learning we continue to await further information on how students in Years 11 and 13 will be awarded their qualifications this summer in the absence of examinations. As the link here states, Ofqual and all involved are going to work together to find the best way for each student to receive a grade for each of their subjects in as fair a way as possible in the circumstances.

Whilst we await the details, our advice is for Years 11 and 13 not to lose their way in their learning. It is important they stay stimulated and engaged in learning in all sorts of ways so that they can start their next steps post-16 or post-18 when life goes back to normal. The advice is that when they receive a 'calculated grade', if they are unhappy with this grade, they can appeal and will have the opportunity to sit an exam in the subject as soon possible in the autumn and even in summer 2021. There are still a few students and parents contacting teachers for further information but I again urge you not to do this as we do not have the answers to the questions being asked. Please read the guidance in the link above. It is all we have to go on at this stage.

We continue to review the rest of the academic year, considering what we might assume can still carry on as normal, what might be able to run if adapted, and what can no longer run. We will advise on this in due course and are in the process contacting parents in relation to specific activities and events as and when we know what is happening with each one.

Today we emailed all students a Guide for Home Learning. Please find this attached. We hope they find it helpful.

Yours sincerely

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