

Dear Students, Parents and Carers,

RE-Update on awarding of grades for Summer 2020

We hope this letter finds you in good health and that you and your families are learning to adapt to the new way of life that has been forced upon us in recent weeks.

We write to you with news today of an important update from the Government regarding the awarding of grades this summer in GCSE, AS and A level qualifications. You will be aware that the Government had previously notified us of the cancellation of all summer examinations last month [here](#).

This afternoon's update gives further details about how students will be awarded grades in these qualifications. They have written a letter for students, parents and carers, explaining the process [here](#).

Please be aware that this letter only provides guidance on the awarding of grades for GCSE, AS and A Levels this summer and does not provide any clarity on how vocational and technical grades will be awarded (such as BTEC's and Cambridge Technical Awards). Many students in Year 11 and 13 are studying one or more vocational qualifications and our advice to students has not changed, **for all vocational subjects (e.g. BTECs and Cambridge Technicals) please continue to complete and submit any outstanding coursework that is due to your teachers.** This can be done via email and/or on 'ShowMyHomework', thank you to all students who have submitted work over the past two weeks.

With regard to the awarding of grades for GCSE, AS and A level subjects, may I alert you to a particularly important paragraph in the letter from the Government and ask for your co-operation in following:

Question- Can I see the grades my school/college submits for me?

Answer- No, this information will be confidential. Please don't ask your teachers, or anyone else at your school or college, to tell you the grades they will be sending to the exam boards or where they have placed you in the order of students; they will not be allowed to share this with you.

We appreciate that there will be further questions that need to be answered, and we will notify you when we have further clarification. We thank you in anticipation of your support.

We hope you have a healthy and peaceful Easter holiday,

Yours sincerely

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