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Mr Jim Roberts- Headteacher

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Dear Parents and Carers,

The Department for Education and Ofqual have announced this morning how GCSE, BTEC and A-Level grades will be awarded in the summer. Although further details will be shared at a later date we can confirm the following information;

- Students will receive their grades awarded and determined by their teachers.
- Teachers will be able to use a range of evidence when determining grades including their mock exams, coursework or other completed work or in-class tests.
- The school will submit grades to exam boards by the 18<sup>th</sup> June 2021.
- To support teachers in making their judgements, exam boards will provide detailed guidance before the end of the spring term.
- The school will be required to go through a clear process of checking and moderating to ensure consistency and fairness. At the same time, exam boards will do their own checks, through a combination of random sampling and more targeted scrutiny if they identify cause for concern.

Results days for GCSE, A level qualifications will take place in the week of the 9<sup>th</sup> August 2021. This is earlier than usual time for appeals to be completed, so students reliant on those outcomes to achieve their university offer have the best chance of accessing a place.

We are writing separately to all year 11 and 6<sup>th</sup> Form families and students, but thought it was important to share this information with the wider school community. It is also important to acknowledge the impact of the last 12 months on the education of all students.

We recognise that student wellbeing provides the platform for progress and achievement. There will be a time and place for additional opportunities whether it is summer schools, extra classes or the use of tutors to support lost learning, but for now our priority is welcoming students back to school, re-establishing routines and delivering high quality lessons.

I appreciate there will be some anxieties around returning to school, but ensuring regular attendance will be critical in helping students move forward.

I shared information about Lateral Flow testing in my last letter earlier in the week. The test is voluntary, but I would encourage all parents / carers and students to consent. By testing we hope we



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can help stop the virus spreading and help keep our school and 6th Form college open, as safely as possible.

Best wishes,

Jim Roberts

Head teacher

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