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Dear Year 11 Students, Parents and Carers

Re: Year 11 Results Day – Thursday 20th August 2020
GROUP 1 – 8.30am – 9am

We've missed you so much! We hope this letter finds you in good spirits and looking forward firstly to the summer and then to new adventures in the autumn term. We are eagerly looking forward to welcoming many of you to our Sixth Form and we send those of you who are moving to pastures new our very best wishes.

This year has been a year of firsts and doing things differently. We would love nothing more than to be able to celebrate your results day with hugs and handshakes, with all of your teachers there to welcome you and share in the excitement with you and your parents or carers. However, this year we will need to do things differently to keep all of us safe.

Our plans need to remain flexible and we will, of course keep you updated with any changes but, currently, the most likely scenario for collecting exam results will be by appointment only, with a time slot for you to collect your results and to have a discussion with staff. **You have been allocated to the group as indicated on the top of this letter.**

This means that results day will look like this:-

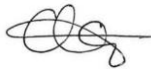
- You will arrive at school within your allocated time slot to collect your results.
- You will need to come into school via the main entrance and collect your results from a named member of staff. That member of staff will then be on hand to provide support and further guidance if you need it, to help you to make choices about your future and to advise you on your next steps. There will also be a chance for you to make a follow-up appointment to speak online with a member of staff if your discussion needs to be longer or more detailed.
- You will then need to leave the main hall via the fire exits, so that we can maintain a one-way system.
- Family members will have to wait in the car for you as we will not be able to allow parents or carers into the building.

We appreciate this is not the results day that any of us hoped for and, if circumstances change with the further easing of restrictions and, if government guidelines indicate we can, then we will have a normal results day with parents, students and teachers celebrating your results together between. We also need to point out, that in the event of a local or National lock down we will post all of the results home.

For some of you, the absence of exams will have been a welcome relief and, for others, an annoying frustration, as you have not had the chance to fully test yourselves in the exam system. Either way, we would like to take this opportunity to warmly congratulate you on the resilience and strength of character you have shown in these strange and uncertain times and to thank you for all of your hard work and perseverance in the months and years leading up to this point. It has been a pleasure and a privilege to teach you; we look forward to building on this shared experience and continuing our journey through education together in the autumn term, if you are one of the very many students joining us in sixth form, and to those of you whose paths take you in a new direction, we wish you the best of luck and much happiness in the future.

As a final note, if you are unable to collect your results in person on the day, then please complete and return the attached form by **Friday 7th August 2020** giving consent for posting results home.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of several loops and a horizontal line extending to the right.

Ms C Ellis
Head of School