

Teesdale School and Sixth Form

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Dear Year 13 Students, Parents and Carers

Re: Year 13 Results Day – Thursday 13th August 2020

We've missed you so much! We hope this letter finds you in good spirits and looking forward to the summer and to new adventures beyond Teesdale.

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. There will have to be social distancing protocols in place and parents, carers and other family members will not be able to come inside the school building with you.

Nevertheless, we want to be there with you when you receive your results and tell you in person how very proud of you, we are. I, Miss Theaker and members of the Senior Leadership Team will be available to discuss your results and offer any advice or help you may need.

Our plans need to remain flexible and we will, of course, keep you updated with any changes **but currently we would like to invite you to collect your results on August 13th from 8am.** Unfortunately, your parents will not be able to come into school with you to collect your results. Your results will be distributed from the main hall, you will come into school via the main entrance and leave via the fire exit in the main hall.

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. Rest assured that despite the difficulties and frustrations that the cancelling of exams has caused it does not diminish our pride in your achievements. Your contribution to this school and sixth form has always been measured by so much more than your academic accomplishments – stellar though they have been. This year 13 cohort will long be remembered, not because of the abrupt end to your final year or because of the global pandemic that precipitated it but because of who you are as people. Both collectively and individually.

So, we look forward to seeing you on August 13th to celebrate your achievements but equally to be able to smile and laugh with you, share stories from the past and listen with pride to your hopes and dreams for the future. For that reason, I can honestly say I have never looked forward to a results day more.

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 **Monday 10**th **August 2020** giving consent for posting results home.

Yours faithfully



Dr S Henderson Assistant Headteacher & Head of Sixth Form

