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Dear Year 11 and 13 students, parents and carers

I am writing to you all to update you on the latest government announcement regarding the examinations in the summer for both GCSE's and A levels. We appreciate that this may cause some anxiousness and I will continue to update you when new announcements have been made.

As outlined earlier in the week there will not be normal examinations in the summer but assessment will take place in a different way, this does not exclude examinations at this point in time. It has been proposed that there will be teacher assessed grades but this plan has yet to be finalised, these arrangements will be confirmed by the department for Education and Ofqual after an initial period of consultation. When we know more about the detail for teacher assessed grades we will let you know.

We do know that the government are planning teacher assessed grades **but these will not be based on any one assessment or Mock**. I want to reassure you that any teacher assessed grades, will take into account a range of data, including future work. There will probably be some kind of portfolio of evidence put together fairly by teachers. Some of this will not have been completed yet and may not be until you return to school. We do know that such evidence (mocks, assessments, classwork, homework etc.) will be moderated in some form.

It is clear that you must not see your GCSE's or A levels as completed. You therefore need to ensure that you attend all lessons and complete the work that has been set. You should also continue with your revision plans until further notice until we are certain of the assessment content. I know and understand that it will be challenging to motivate yourselves with so much unknown but education is a journey at Avanti. This continued learning will not only be critical for the preparation for the teacher assessments but also the next steps in education, training or the workplace.

We understand that the current situation is far from ideal but the message from me is to keep doing your very best. We will continue to support all pastorally, spiritually and academically and I am sure that you are supporting each other. The landscape is changing daily but I want to again thank you for the support you have given the school to ensure all students reach their full potential.

Although there are so many unknowns, I will speak to the students collectively to give an overview of what limited information I have. The zoom link will be posted on Arbor. It is also an opportunity to ensure that every student and family understand that all staff at the school will be doing their very best, we know that they will rise to the challenges as we have always done!

Yours sincerely

S. Arnell-Principal

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