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Dear Years 11 and 13,

We hope you are well and adapting to these unprecedented times in which we all find ourselves.

The academy, like all institutions, is having to react to the international and national events, as information is received.

The notion that exams could be cancelled and all schools closed would have been unthinkable a month ago. You now find yourself in an unenviable position of not being in control of your own destiny.

I want to reassure you that all members of staff will continue to work on your behalf and follow, when received, guidance from the examination boards via Ofqual (exam regulator) before submitting grades. Before grades are awarded by examination boards a verification process (process currently unknown) will take place. It does appear that you grades will be awarded in July instead of August to allow you to make the best decision about your future.

Much of our efforts is focused on ensuring your next steps are not hampered and therefore, we will endeavor to keep you up to date on developments as we receive them. Shortly, Mr Lowe or Mrs Buckingham will be in contact with you.

The sands of the picture, local and beyond, are constantly shifting. I hope, in better times, we can celebrate your time at the academy.

We will keep you updated as information becomes available.

Our thoughts and feelings are with you all.

Yours sincerely,

Anthony Hamilton
Headmaster

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