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Important information regarding Summer Exams for Year 11 and 13 students

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Kerry - please send via inTouch asap to parents of Y11 and Y13
Thank you

Dear Parents,

I hope this email finds you and your family safe and well in light of recent announcements.

Given the Prime Minister's announcement on Monday evening to close all schools, I wanted to take this opportunity to try and address a few questions that you may have.

I'm sure most of you will be aware that the Prime Minister announced that it would not be "possible for all exams in the summer to go ahead as planned" and that the Government will "be working with Ofqual to consult rapidly to put in place alternative arrangements that will allow students to progress fairly". This announcement has caused understandable concern given that the media is reporting that "all exams have been cancelled".

The Secretary of State for Education has this afternoon announced that he wished "to use a form of teacher assessment grades, with training and support provided to ensure these are awarded fairly and consistently across the country". In his statement he also said that plans would still need to be "fine tuned".

We will continue to wait for a timeline for the release of any further details and communicate what this means for students as soon as we are able.

What we do know is this:

- We will continue to educate your children remotely to the very best of our ability and to this end, all students must be attending their Google Meet lessons and completing the work that they are set by their teachers.
- Trail exams will take place at the end of January. They will not be onsite but they will take place. Please continue to work towards this same goal that you have been since September.

My team and I will continue to monitor student attendance to lessons and levels engagement; we will be in touch with you as soon as possible to offer support where needed.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions.

Kind regards
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