



BISHOP CHALLONER CATHOLIC COLLEGE

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Dear Year 13 students

Following the recent decision to close schools, many of you may be feeling anxious and disappointed. With the work and commitment you have put into your studies, you will be concerned about what these changes mean for your future.

We now know that summer A Level examinations have been cancelled, however, we do not currently know exactly how your grades will be determined. When further guidance has been given to us, we will relay this information to you. BTEC assessments in the week commencing 11th January are still taking place.

Your sixth form experience has been largely over-shadowed by the global pandemic. We cannot overstate how proud we are of the continued dedication of our students, both in college and working remotely. You should be equally proud of the conscientiousness and resilience you have shown.

The Government has highlighted the importance of all year13 students accessing remote learning; therefore it is essential that you continue to attend live lessons, complete work set and continue with the independent learning that A Levels require.

If you have any problems with online learning, at any time, you must contact your teachers or a member of the Sixth Form team.

Lockdown has necessitated the postponement of the mock examinations; we will look to reschedule these, in some form, when you return to face-to-face learning. Continued revision is, therefore, important.

Your teachers will continue to fully support you as you prepare you for your future. You will continue to cover the subject content and practise the range of skills required. There will be opportunities for you to demonstrate your academic attainment.

We cannot control the current situation but we can determine how we respond to the challenge. Take time to look after yourselves. Remember that there is a range of useful wellbeing links on the website:

<https://www.bishopchalloner.org.uk/catholic-college/about/safeguarding/safeguarding-and-well-being>

It is very important that we all follow the advice on how to stay safe. You are assured of the support of your teachers and the whole school community. Together, we will continue to live out our Sixth Form motto and *Aspire to be More*.

Kind regards

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