



Bishop Rawstorne Church of England Academy



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Dear Parent/Guardian

We can now confirm that all Year 10 students have been entered for the English literature examination this summer. Unless we hear otherwise, we can assume that all the year group will receive TAGs (Teacher Assessed Grades) this summer. This may prove to be a huge relief for many students and their parents; it means that Year 11 can be dedicated solely to the study of English language, and the absence of the literature will enable greater revision time for other subject areas.

Whilst it is still uncertain whether our students will be required to sit some form of assessment this summer, what is clear is that teacher assessment will be the main indicator in terms of the final outcome.

Our students have been preparing for the 2021 examination since the beginning of Year 9 and we very much look forward to recognising their efforts this summer, without having to delay the exam for an additional year. We feel that in the current circumstances, this would only serve to add additional pressure.

Despite lockdown, please be reassured that our teachers continue to collect data to inform the final grade. It is vital, therefore, that live lessons are always attended and assignments are completed to the best of each student's ability; these will naturally be considered when it comes to making a final judgement in the summer.

We appreciate that we were unable to deliver the mock examination in January but as soon as we know when we will return to school, we will advise students of the intended date of the mock and requirements of the paper. Adequate time and specific guidance will be provided for preparation.

We would like to thank you for your ongoing support in these very unusual times and hope that you continue to support us in this decision, should the entries be allowed to stand.

Kind regards,

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