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Dear Year 11 students,

Re: Update on Year 11 Exams

The Prime Minister has recently announced that GCSE exams will not take place this summer in the normal way and that the government will be working with Ofqual (the organisation which is in charge of GCSE and 'A' level exams) to determine an alternative. If you have an upcoming Btec examination this half term we have taken the difficult decision to cancel these exams.

We know that this news may have left you feeling disappointed. However, this does not mean that your hard work will not be recognised. You will still leave school with formal qualifications that take into consideration the work you have produced.

This means that you need to continue to work to the best of your ability in completing the work set each day. Teachers will be keeping a record of your attendance on ClassCharts and will mark some work and give feedback. This information may be used when calculating teacher assessed grades. Maintaining good study habits, including personal organisation will also prepare you for your Post 16 study.

Schools have currently been asked to remain closed to most students until February half term. Our second set of mock exams are due to take place from Monday 22nd February. At this moment in time, we hope to run mock exams as planned.

We realise that this is a really challenging time but ask you to take on these points and keep going. Your teachers and the school will endeavour to support you fully over the next few weeks.

Please contact your subject teacher or Pastoral Manager if you need any help or support.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs S Adu
Headteacher