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Dear Parent or Carer,

Y13 Students

I am writing further to my other letter today with some extra information for parents and carers of Y13 students.

The Y13s in school today have been great. We look forward to seeing them again tomorrow, and send our best wishes to those who can't be there because of self-isolation or sickness.

We know families and students alike have lots of questions and uncertainty at the moment. This short letter has some important points to consider;

How will A-level and BTEC grades be decided?

We do not know at this time. The government have said they will work with the schools and Ofqual "to ensure that children get the qualifications that they need".

How will UCAS applications and places be affected?

Again we have no details at this time, other than to rely on the assurance given yesterday above, which implies students will be equitably treated and ensured progression. Without exams it may be grades are decided on teacher assessment or predictions, but we have no guidance on this yet

Has my daughter or son missed their last day at school?

No. We are determined they will get their leavers' assembly and prom. We will rearrange these for a time when we can all attend.

What should we do with exercise books and folders?

Please make sure your daughter or son keeps all their exercise books and folders. This is important as we do not yet know what evidence exam boards or Ofqual may need in deciding grades.

As and when we have more information we will let you know. Please find attached a letter we gave to all Y13s in school today. If your daughter or son was not with us today, we will be posting a copy home.

Finally, thank all of you for the thanks, kind messages, and offers of support the College has received today.

With very best wishes,

Alan Salt
Principal