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A Specialist Business and Enterprise College  
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Dear Parents/Guardians and Year 10 Students,

We have just received some more detailed guidance about the GCSE exams. Please follow this link to read the information we have received.

[https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/883150/Summer\\_2020\\_grades\\_for\\_GCSE\\_AS\\_A\\_level\\_guidance\\_for\\_teachers\\_students\\_parents\\_UPDATED\\_05MAY2020\\_FINAL.pdf](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/883150/Summer_2020_grades_for_GCSE_AS_A_level_guidance_for_teachers_students_parents_UPDATED_05MAY2020_FINAL.pdf)

Ofqual have decided that students who were due to sit exams this summer, at the end of Year 10, will be awarded calculated grades instead. This means that any Year 10 students who had been entered early for English Literature or RE, will not sit the exam this summer but will receive a grade.

Teachers will submit evidence of student performance to the exam board. The exam board will then use this evidence to award grades. These grades are expected to be shared with students and parents in August. **Please note that teachers are not allowed to discuss the evidence they submit to the exam boards with students or parents. Please do not contact them about this.**

When students receive their result in August, if they do not think their calculated grade reflects what they believe they are capable of, they will have the opportunity to sit the exam at a later date, either in autumn 2020 or summer 2021. Please note that these exams will not be compulsory. However, students will be able to choose to sit these exams if they want to try to improve on the calculated grade awarded by the exam board.

To provide the best chance of a high grade in any exam they may choose to sit, students will need to keep learning and revising that subject and complete all the work that teachers set.

All other GCSE subjects for Year 10 will continue as normal and all the work that teachers are setting must be completed.

Yours sincerely,

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