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Dear Parent/Carer

Qualifications and examinations in 2021

As I promised in my previous emails, I want to keep you up to date with the information that we receive from the government regarding the summer examinations. At the moment, we are compiling our feedback on the Department for Education's consultation. If you (student or parent) would like to contribute to the consultation please go to the links below. There are in excess of 60 pages in each document and you may not wish to reply to every question but, I feel, it is important that, as key stakeholders, you have the opportunity to be heard.

A Levels & GCSEs

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/953000/6743-1_GCSE_AS_and_A_level_grades_should_be_awarded_in_summer_2021.pdf

Vocational Qualifications

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/953003/6743-2_2021_VTQ_alternative_arrangements_consultation_15JAN21.pdf

The school's position is very clear in that decisions taken by government or the exams regulator should not disadvantage our students and limit their future opportunities.

The DfE will not update us on progress until the end of February, so students should continue working hard and completing the work set by their teachers.

I hope you are all safe and well.

Yours faithfully



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