



THE THOMAS LORD AUDLEY SCHOOL

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Dear Students, Parents and Carers,

As you are aware, last month the government announced that the summer 2020 GCSE, AS and A level exam series would be cancelled in order to help fight the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) and that students due to sit the exams would be awarded a grade based on an assessment of the grade they would have been most likely to achieve had exams gone ahead.

Today information has been released by the Office of Qualifications and Examinations Regulation (Ofqual), which regulates qualifications, examinations and assessments in England, on how that process will be managed. The full document is attached to this letter and can be found at:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/gcses-as-and-a-level-awarding-summer-2020>

Additionally, the link below contains an open letter from Ofqual for students explaining how the process will work.

[https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/877830/Letter to students - Summer 2020 grading.pdf](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/877830/Letter_to_students_-_Summer_2020_grading.pdf)

We fully appreciate how unsettling this is for students because you have been working hard towards the goal of sitting the GCSE exams. This new information will hopefully make you feel that your hard work is being rewarded as you will achieve a grade, albeit not in quite the same way you had anticipated.

At this stage please could I ask that you do not contact your teachers about this issue as we are not permitted to pass on any further information regarding the grades assigned.

In the meantime, I would once again like to take this opportunity to thank you wholeheartedly for your understanding and ongoing support in helping us to manage this unprecedented situation.

Yours sincerely

Ms H Boast
Headteacher