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Dear Parent/Carer

Your child's report is being uploaded onto MCAS to give you an opportunity to see it before parents evening on Thursday. There is an explanation below regarding the interpretation of the report. I also want to take this opportunity to update you on year 11 exams.

Year 11 Mid Term Report

- The Attitude to Learning (ATL) scores indicate your child's overall ATL in each subject area and ranges from a "1" (Exemplary) to a "4" (often fails to meet expectations).
- The year 11 Target Grade indicates the minimum grade it is expected that your child should achieve based on their KS2 data.
- The REG is the realistic expected grade we think your child should achieve at the end of year 11, based on the most recent summative assessment, classwork and their ATL. This REG grade is colour coded based on a progress PRAG. A key for these colours is on the report. It indicates how much progress your child has made in comparison to their starting point at the end of KS2.
- "Yes" will appear in the homework column if there is an issue with completing homework to a suitable standard or if it is not completed on time.

Your child's mock exam grades are also included on the report.

- If there is a '-' sign next to your child's mock exam grade, this means not all the mock exam papers were sat for that subject. The grade has therefore been estimated based on the papers which were sat for that subject.
- If there is a 'X' in the mock exam column it means your child has missed all the mock exam papers for that subject and therefore it was not possible to award them a grade.
- The grey boxes indicate a mock exam was not scheduled for that subject.

We recognise that excellent attendance is key to good progress and attainment. In light of this, your child's current attendance is included within the report.

Following the Government announcement about GCSE exams it is important to note with this report that the REG grades which have been produced by staff are nothing to do with any form of teacher evidence which maybe required moving forward. They are subject to change based on how your child performs in the up coming months.

Year 11 exam update

Last Friday I shared a virtual assembly with year 11 explaining the announcement by the Education Secretary. During this current period of uncertainty for our young people, I feel it is important for me to share the key points from that assembly to ensure we are all sharing the same messages.

As you are aware GCSE examinations have been cancelled, however, we are still waiting for more information from the Government about vocational subjects.

We are very proud of how all our year 11 students have conducted themselves since September. It is crucial that this hard work continues despite the news about exams. This will enable teachers to make accurate judgements about the grades' students deserve should these judgements be called upon. This information would be generated using all the information we have collated so far this year, **and all the information we continue to collect** over the coming weeks and months. Therefore, it is crucial to reiterate, as per previous communications, that attendance at all online lessons are compulsory and we will continue to be in touch with families where students have not logged on as expected.

In addition, it is vital for students to keep learning, not just for exams, but for their futures. The final stages of year 11 support in preparing young people for the next stage of their educational journey. Whether that be developing a strong knowledge foundation in certain subjects or improving the skills required for further education. These skills are important to ensure a successful transition to college next academic year.

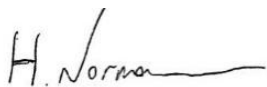
I know that many of our students will be disappointed about the cancellation of GCSE exams. By continuing to work hard and take pleasure in learning, our students will be best placed to ensure that they are still awarded the grades they deserve, after all the hard work and challenges that they have overcome in the last year of their education.

We will be continuing to offer achieve sessions, which will start week commencing Monday, 18 January. Given the current national lockdown and remote learning, these sessions will be different to previous achieve sessions and will start with English, Maths and Science. More information will follow later in the week about these sessions and how students can take part.

I also want to reassure you that our staff remain committed to supporting our year 11 students as best we can, and as soon as we have further information about how grades will be awarded and the position with vocational qualifications, we will share it with you.

Thank you for your continued support during these challenging times. If you have any questions or require any support regarding your child's progress in school, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'H. Norman', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Mrs H Norman
Assistant Headteacher