



OLDFIELD SCHOOL

6th April 2020

Dear Students, Parents and Carers,

You may be aware that the guidance from Ofqual explaining how grades will be awarded was published on Friday 3rd April. I have attached the two documents that are relevant for parents and students. These are a letter to students and guidance for teachers, students, parents and carers. They explain the methods and the timescales of the process through which you will be awarded your grades.

We will now consider the guidance from Ofqual and then, after Easter, using all the evidence we have, continue the process of determining the grades which will be sent to the exam boards. We will make sure this is a fair and thorough process with moderation of grades taking place at teacher, head of department and senior leadership level. On initial reading of the documents we are confident that you will be rewarded appropriately for your hard work. However, it is still unclear exactly how the exam boards will moderate the grades we submit. We hope and trust this will be done fairly. We have received some enquiries from parental and students on whether coursework should continue to be worked on/ completed and I can confirm that this does not need to be completed.

You will note in the documents that we are not allowed to share provisional grades, nor rank orders, with students, parents or carers, so please may we again politely ask you to not email teachers about your grades.

We will be in touch again at some point after the Easter break to discuss next steps and offer advice about how you can best prepare for the next stage of your lives. For the time being, however, it is important that you spend the next few weeks focusing on friends and family, supporting each other and staying safe.

Best wishes

Mr S Mackay
Headteacher