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Dear Parent/Carer,

Year 11 Examination Grades

I hope that you are keeping safe and well. I know that many of you have been waiting for further details regarding examination results for Year 11 students. Following yesterday's announcement regarding exams, I can now provide you with an update.

- Following the cancellation of exams, teacher assessments will be used to issue grades to students.
- The grades will reflect the standards that students are working at and be based on a range of evidence. This may include assessments, coursework, mock exams and so on.
- The exam boards will provide optional questions for each subject, which we may use to provide further evidence of the standard a student is working at.
- The Academy is required to run an internal standardisation process to ensure the grades submitted are fair.
- Grades will be submitted to the exam boards by 18th June. However, we are not permitted to share these with parents/carers/students at this time.
- The exam boards will check the grading process in a random sample of schools.
- Results will be published to students on Thursday 12th August.
- There will be an appeals process and a full autumn exam series for students who want to improve their grades.

In light of this announcement we are currently looking at our curriculum and assessment planning, including the timing of our mock exams. Rest assured that the assessments we put in place will ensure that students are assessed on the areas of the curriculum that they have covered whilst ensuring that they remain fully prepared for the next steps in their education. We will share details of this in the forthcoming weeks so that they have sufficient time to revise and prepare.

Please do not hesitate to contact Miss Moore, Assistant Headteacher – Achievement and Outcomes, moore.g@biddickacademy.com if you have any queries.

Yours faithfully,

Miss K. Morris
Headteacher