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Information regarding result day and returning in September 2020 for Year 12

Dear Parents and Carers and Y12 Students

We hope that you are all safe and well. You have all had to cope with so much in the last few months and we are incredibly proud with how our students have adjusted to these challenging times. In recent months our student community have experienced virtual lessons, meetings, supporting siblings, family members and many have worked hard in the community to support others and take on roles within key businesses. We were delighted to invite our students into school in June and July and it was wonderful to see so many students back on the school site.

We wanted to get in touch to explain how Results Day will operate in the summer for the Year 12 cohort. In the current circumstances we have made the decision to post all exam results to the AS students; I hope that you understand the thinking behind this decision and please be reassured that if any student requires support that they can contact me direct to discuss options and arrange a meeting if required.

I also want to take the opportunity to give our students advance notice of an upcoming internal exam window. We are really looking forward to your son/daughter starting Year 13 in September, but it is important that they use the time between now and then to ensure they are fully up to date in terms of all the work that has been set for them during lockdown, and that they are carefully preparing for the important year ahead.

In normal circumstances, your son/daughter would have taken their Year 12 AS exams. These are really important as they give students the opportunity to demonstrate what they have learnt throughout the year, and they show their teachers what they can achieve in exam conditions. We use these grades to help inform our predictions which are used for university applications in the Autumn term.

We believe it is important that students get this same chance to demonstrate their progress early on in Year 13. Therefore, during the week beginning 28th September all students will take a 1 hour exam in each subject. The questions will be A Level style and will take place in exam conditions during their lessons. The results from these exams, in conjunction with their last predicted grade before lockdown, will inform our predicted grades. They will also give us an early indicator of any gaps in knowledge which will help us tailor a package of support.

After receiving their formal grades, students can request their school 'Centre-assessed grades' by emailing: grades@tuptonhall.org.uk Please include in the email: Student Name, Student Year Group. Grades will be posted home.

We understand that the last few months have been very difficult for some families, and our aim now is to ensure the students are back on track and ready to resume learning in the new academic year.

Thank you for all your support throughout this time, we are very much looking forward to seeing all our students in the new academic year,

As always, please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely

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