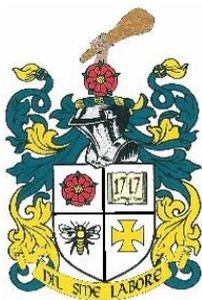


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Year 11 Update June 2020

Dear Year 11,

This year has certainly not turned out like we all expected, but I hope that this letter finds you and your families well.

Your teachers have been really busy over the last few weeks agreeing the Centre Assessed Grades for each of you that have been sent to the exam boards and that process has now ended. There has been a lot of feedback within the Educational Press about this process. Our analysis shows that we are in line with this national data. So, you can be confident that the way we have supplied grades to exam boards is in line with other schools nationally.

What this means for you and all of the other Year 11 students in the country is that the exam boards will need to make some adjustments to the grades submitted by schools and that this element of the process is completely out of school's control now. However, you should have confidence in that process and be assured that every Year 11 student across the country will be feeling similar to you at the moment.

We are awaiting guidance from the government regarding how to operate Results Day on 20th August and we will communicate these arrangements closer to the time. Nationally, there are some suggestions for the use of electronic sharing of grades through school email systems, however at the moment we are still considering a rota for the face to face collection of your grades. No matter what the final decision is, we will make sure that staff support is available on that day to help guide you into the next phase of your education.

It is important to remember from my previous communications and from this letter that the grades you receive may not be the grades that were supplied by school as the exam board moderation exercise (to make sure that your year group is neither advantaged or disadvantaged against other years nationally) will undoubtedly have led to some modifications. It is also important to note that there is not likely to be a system to appeal those grades; if you are unhappy with the grade that you have been allocated, there will be the opportunity to sit the exams in the Autumn term.

information from all of the Post-16 education providers. This is the best place to find information and contact details should you have any queries as we approach the summer (please also see details of Blackpool Sixth Form's New Student Days below). If you need any support with this, please email Mr Flynn at rfn@baines.lancs.sch.uk

On a lighter note, Mr Flynn has been in touch with the Prom venue and we are still aiming to celebrate the Class of 2020 and your achievements when circumstances allow us to get together. When we know more details, we will be in contact regarding this, but we are not expecting to be able to hold the Prom in the next few months. The best things are worth waiting for!

Thanks for taking time to read this update and I hope that you and your families remain healthy and safe.

With kind regards



Mr A Mycock
Assistant Headteacher

