

28 January 2021

Dear Parent/Carer

Re: Year 11 Update

I am writing ahead of the normal weekly updates, to briefly outline how the Prime Minister's announcement yesterday regarding the continued partial closure of schools until at least 8 March 2021 will impact your child. Year 11 students were expecting to sit some additional mock examinations during the week beginning 1 March 2021.

To avoid undue confusion and stress, this letter is to confirm that mocks will now be paused until we have more information regarding return dates. We will reassess, if and when the mocks need to be taken when we have more information available to us, and we will communicate this to you and to our students in a timely manner.

As we are still unaware of exactly how grades will be awarded in the summer, it is absolutely essential that your child continues to engage in our virtual academy and to access all of their online lessons. Students will continue to be assessed during live lessons on a question level basis and, therefore, should continue to recap subject knowledge in and outside the lesson as they would normally do.

We continue to work to support our students to be as successful as they can be. Any updates will be made as and when we are made aware of it, and when we have formulated a response which puts the best interests of learners at its heart.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S. Barlow', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Mr S Barlow
Principal