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Dear Parents

Good morning

A statement outlining the process by which GCSE, AS & A-levels grades will be awarded was issued earlier today by the government and this was followed by a statement from CCEA (see links below). Note that the system set out applies **to English Awarding Bodies only** at this stage and CCEA will issue their own details following approval from the Education Minister in the near future.

Please also note the following clear directive to schools contained within the government statement and I have instructed teachers currently delivering non-CCEA courses to observe this strictly:

'Schools and colleges have been told that they must not share their centre assessment grades with students, parents or carers, under any circumstances, until after final results are issued. This is to protect the integrity of centres' judgements, and to avoid anyone feeling under pressure to submit a grade that is not supported by the evidence. Since the final grades for some or all students in a centre could be different from those submitted, it also helps to manage students' expectations'

I am sharing this information in order to keep you as well informed as possible. It does not answer all of our questions but it does represent progress and I ask you to remain patient as we continue to be guided by the government and the examining bodies.

Take care.

Mr W E Thompson
Headmaster