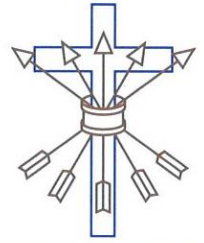


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Dear Year 13 Parents/Carers,

We hope you and your families are keeping well and that you have had a good rest over the break. We know recent weeks have been a challenge for everyone and that continued uncertainty over this summer's exam results have added to this. We have been very impressed by Year 13's continued mature and patient response while Ofqual have confirmed the exam grade details. Thank you also for all your support and reassurance from home.

As Ofqual have confirmed the process for allocating grades, teachers will not be setting Year 13 students any more work to complete on Show My Homework. The vast majority of the taught content of courses was completed before Easter and most subjects had already started revision.

From this point, if your son/daughter wants to carry on revising for the proposed autumn or next summer's exams in some/all subjects, each department will recommend revision resources and access to past paper questions in their final post on Show My Homework. If students then want feedback on completed past paper questions, they are welcome to e-mail them to the Subject Leader, but we have been advised not to formally mark or grade this work. If your son/daughter knows now they want to sit the proposed autumn exams, please inform Ms McIver via an e-mail to office@waddesdonschool.com, so we know this is their intention. Equally, some students may decide to sit exams once they receive their summer results, so they can use these revision resources from August onwards and inform us of their intention at that stage too.

If your son/daughter has decided to cease all revision, they will have a lot of time on their hands while we are all still at home. There is plenty they can be doing to make good use of the time. To this end, Ms McIver and Mrs McKenzie have put together the attached booklet of resources for students, to help lay important foundations, so they can take the next step with confidence. We would strongly recommend Eton College's 'Making an Impact' online course, which the school has managed to secure for each student free of charge. We hope the booklet is useful.

We know these are uncertain times for students and families, but please have faith that the school will recommend grades through a fair system. As advised by Ofqual, we are sorry we cannot answer your individual questions about grades or make recommendations about whether students should sit the proposed autumn exams or not. If you have any general questions, please contact us via office@waddesdonschool.com.

Please remember we are still here for students, if they need any personal support or careers advice. We will continue to post messages on Show My Homework and advertise post 18 opportunities as they arise.

Yours sincerely,

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