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Dear parents, carers and students,

Re: Exam Grades Update

The exam regulator, Ofqual, have released further details today as to how you will be graded this Summer. Ofqual have written a letter to all students who were due to sit exams this Summer. The link below directs you to that letter.

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/877830/Letter_to_students_-_Summer_2020_grading.pdf

The letter explains the process that STFS will go through in order to reach a grade for each student in each of their subjects. At this stage, students do not need to do anything and schools will now begin their process of collating the information that exam boards require. It is worth noting that those of you studying vocational subjects, you will know who you are, the advice is to continue with your work as normal. This may change and we will inform you if it does.

Please can I request that students do not inundate their teachers with additional information at what will be an extremely busy time. The teachers at STFS are best placed to give an accurate grade based on their detailed knowledge of each student. This whole process will be quality assured throughout and my role is to ensure the grades fairly represent the grades that the students would have been most likely to achieve if they had sat their exams as planned.

As both year groups are at a key point in their education, I do hope you continue with your preparations for your next steps. For example, Year 11s should continue with your transitional studies for Year 12. For Year 13 students heading off to University, you could make an early start on your course reading list. Those going on to apprenticeships or college should contact their institution and ask what preparations they can be making.



To say this has been a surreal time is a huge understatement, but hopefully this information gives you some sense that your hard work will be recognised by your teachers.

I will update you further after the Easter break with any additional details that are released in subsequent days.

Best wishes and stay safe.

Your faithfully,

Neale Pledger
Headteacher

