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Dear Parent/Guardian

Government announcement of support to students sitting public exams

This week the government announced further support for students who are sitting exams in the summer. As always, I have analysed the announcement and wanted to provide you with as much information as possible to reassure you and your child.

Following on from the three week delay to exams, the new measures include:

- more generous grading than usual, in line with national outcomes from 2020, so students this year are not disadvantaged;
- students receiving advance notice of some topic areas covered in GCSE, AS and A levels to focus revision;
- exam aids - like formula sheets - provided in some exams giving students more confidence and reducing the amount of information they need to memorise;
- additional exams to give students a second chance to sit a paper if the main exams or assessments are missed due to illness or self-isolation; and
- a new expert group to look at differential learning and monitor the variation in the impact of the pandemic on students across the country.

We appreciate that students have had their learning disrupted and we will continue to support them in the very best way we can. We want the very best for our students and will strive to give them the best chances possible in summer 2021.

For a full breakdown of the support measures, please use the following link:

[Extra measures to support students ahead of next summer's exams - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/government/news/extra-measures-to-support-students-ahead-of-next-summer-s-exams)

We hope that this will aid our students who have already worked incredibly hard. I am incredibly proud of every one of our students.

Yours sincerely

Mr P Gibson
Headteacher