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Dear Parent/Carer,

Needless to say, recent weeks have been a real challenge. Firstly, I would like to thank you sincerely for your patience, kindness and encouragement as we navigate these uncharted waters as a school community.

While Year 12's learning will go remote, it is very difficult to put together a finite plan for Year 13 whilst we still await government advice. This is what we have been provided with around one hour ago at time of writing:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/further-details-on-exams-and-grades-announced>

I will be in touch again on Monday when we have been provided with more information about how this will work on a network and national scale.

All of this said, Y13 very much remain our students. Thursday was an emotional day for all of us and it was difficult to say goodbye to a cohort we think so highly of. Handing out Leavers' hoodies in March was very odd indeed! Y13 tutors will continue to check in with their tutees and their families once a week while we work remotely.

I hope that you find the following information helpful and comprehensive. Thank you, for your support in this time. We will miss spending time with your young people very much but look forward to working through all of this as a community.

Yours faithfully,

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