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Dear Parent/Carer

Whilst our schools have been open to pupils identified by the government as being vulnerable and/or children of key workers, may I take this opportunity to thank parents who have supported the demand on schools by facilitating the supervision of their own children at this challenging time.

Our intention is to continue to provide the aforementioned pupils with supervision and purposeful activity for the duration of this state of emergency.

With regards to the Easter break, we are awaiting clarification from the government about their expectation of schools. Please be assured that we will update you with that information as soon as it is made clear.

For parents and carers of pupils in Yr6, 11 and 13, we understand that there may be concerns about the status of the public examinations and how grades will be awarded. The government has explained that they will be asking examining bodies to work closely with schools to determine grades that fairly reflect pupils' effort and learning to date. We have yet to receive confirmation of exactly how these grades will be calculated.

There may be cases where children did not perform well in mock examinations, were unwell or have other mitigating circumstances. Please be assured that our objective is to ensure that all our pupils receive the grades that they deserve.

We understand that our pupils and their families are seeking more detail and certainty about government strategy however we all need to be patient during this unprecedented time.

May we therefore please seek your support in **not** contacting our schools to request further clarity about these areas as we will forward up-to-date information as it is released.

Wishing you and your families good health.

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