

Dear Parents and students,

You may be aware that the awarding body for BTECs last night announced that schools and colleges were now responsible for deciding whether or not BTEC exams scheduled for this term should proceed at their Centres.

Having both considered feedback from students and teachers, and sought assurance from the awarding body that students' grades will not be impacted detrimentally, we have taken the decision to cancel the forthcoming BTEC exams for all year groups.

We appreciate that this will be disappointing for students and teachers who have been working hard to prepare for these exams, and apologise for any inconvenience caused by this decision.

Grades will now be determined by teacher assessment. It is, therefore, imperative that students continue to attend all lessons via Microsoft Teams and complete all assignments. These will be pivotal in informing teacher's assessment of students' knowledge, skills and competencies.

When we receive clarification about the awarding process, we will update students and parents. However, we anticipate that this detail will not be available until next term. Thank you for your forbearance in this matter.

Kind regards,

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Deputy Headteacher