



SIR THOMAS BOUGHEY ACADEMY

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Dear Parents / Carers,

As you will be aware, last night, the Education Secretary announced that Summer 2020 GCSE Examinations are to be cancelled. However, Gavin Williamson did assure MPs that all students would get the grades they "need and deserve" and that no child would be "unfairly penalised" as a result of the decision.

Although we are not currently in a position to give clarity regarding what assessments will be put in place, the government is considering a number of possible models, including predicted grades and teacher-led assessments, to replace the formal exams that were due to take place in May and June.

Gavin Williamson has said that one possibility would be for students to "rapidly take a fresh set of exams" to replace formal GCSEs. However, he added that it was difficult to draw up detailed plans at the moment, since it is unclear when schools would be able to re-open.

Unfortunately, we do not currently have any further information on arrangements for the Summer 2020 Examination season but as soon as we do receive an update, we will notify you.

We understand the concerns that you and your son / daughter will be facing during this turbulent time. For the moment, we advise that all preparation for examinations continues and, as such, staff are continuing to set revision materials for students to complete at home.

Thank you for your continued patience as we deal with this ever-changing situation.

We will be in touch as soon as we receive further details.

Stay safe and please look after each other.

Yours sincerely

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