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15th January 2021

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Dear Parent/Carer

Re: GCSE 2021

Further to my previous correspondence in relation to GCSE's, please see below some information that has been shared by the Secretary of State for Education today.

Ofqual (The Office of Qualification and Examinations Regulation) have been asked to consult on alternative arrangements for GCSE, AS and A levels which should involve the awarding of grades based on teacher assessment.

The plan is for them to issue a consultation document later this week, and that, recognising the need both to engage widely, and to reach conclusions quickly, it will run for a fortnight. They will make every effort during that time to hear as many people's views and suggestions as possible.

As you are aware, this year teachers are being asked to assess their pupils, and it is Mr Williamson's view that ways should be sought to support teachers to do so in a fair and consistent fashion. A breadth of evidence should inform teachers' judgements. However, in addition to this, the Secretary of State for Education would like to explore the possibility of providing externally set tasks or papers, in order that teachers can draw on this resource to support their assessments of pupils. Views will be sought via the consultation on what broader evidence should determine a teacher's assessment of a pupil's grade and whether Mr Williamson should require or recommend the use of the externally set tasks or papers.

As you can appreciate this is an ever-changing situation and I will endeavour to correspond with you promptly, as soon as any further details are released relating to the above.

If you have any further questions or queries about this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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Yours sincerely

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