



8th January 2021

Dear parents /carers

Further to the government's announcement yesterday that GCSE examinations will no longer take place in the summer for Year 11 students, I want to explain what we will be doing at Carlton Bolling.

Final grades will now be allocated by the school and are known as Centre Assessed Grades. Centre Assessed Grades are discussed by a range of staff in school before a final grade is allocated. This is likely to include, the subject teacher, the Director of Faculty and members of the Senior Leadership Team. The government, Ofqual and the examination boards are consulting at the moment about what evidence they will need schools to consider when allocating grades for each of the subjects each child is studying.

We expect the following things to be considered when allocating grades:

Quality of classwork and information in books

Progress demonstrated in books and coursework.

PPEs and Mock exams (when your child returns to school after lockdown more internal assessments may need to take place)

Attitude to learning since Year 10 and current online engagement with "live lessons".

Mr Azum has contacted all Year 11 students by Email to explain the next steps in online learning and how we will be supporting them up until the end of the summer term. A couple of the key points that have been shared with your child are:

- Mr Azum will be creating a video each week to share updates regarding Year 11.
- Participation with online lessons and completing any work set for homework is compulsory.
- Information about the support available in school for post 16 application.

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Just a reminder, if you are feeling anxious about yesterday's news or anything else, please email year11support@carltonbolling.co.uk and we will offer you the relevant support.

Student Wellbeing

Remember, the school is still here for you and there is a huge range of support to help you with any issue with your child's wellbeing.

Childline- www.childline.co.uk- 0800 1111- get help and advice on any issue.

Kooth- www.kooth.com – free, safe, anonymous online support

Young Minds – www.youngminds.org.uk – advice on mental health issues

Teen Life check - www.nhs.uk/live-well – confidential, anonymous advice

Bullying UK – www.bullying.co.uk – info on a range of bullying issues

NHS 111 – Phone 111 – speak to a fully trained health advisor.

Samaritans – www.samaritans.org – a safe place to talk any time you like.

NSPCC – www.nspcc.org.uk

If you have any non-emergency concerns regarding your child's wellbeing or safety, please contact Mrs Byrne by email t.byrne@carltonbolling.co.uk or telephone 01274 648629. If you have a concern about another child's welfare or wellbeing, call Children's Social Care initially on 01274 435600 (office hours 8:30am to 5pm Monday to Thursday, 8:30am- 4:30pm on Friday). At all other times call the Social Services Emergency Duty Team on 01274 431010 if you have an emergency or if you have reason to believe that a child is at immediate risk of harm, please contact emergency services on 999.

We will continue to keep you informed about any information about Centre Assessed Grades as soon as we are made aware of them.

Your sincerely



Head of school