

28 May 2021

Dear Parent/Carer

## **Praising Stars 5 Year 10 and 11**

As you will be aware from previous correspondence in March, the deadline for Teacher Assessed Grades (TAGs) to be submitted to the exam boards is 18 June 2021 and our intention was to continue to send home Praising Stars reports. However, we are now at a point where we are nearing the submission date for TAGs and have therefore made the decision NOT to share Praising Stars 5 data with you as we now feel that we are too close to the TAGs deadline. The Joint Council for Qualifications (JCQ) has instructed all schools not to share TAGs with students.

Over the last few months, teachers have been collating all the evidence needed to justify the final TAG grades. The exam boards will then carry out a quality assurance process on the grades which could result in the grades being amended. Final grades will be available to students on the following dates:

- A Level results - Tuesday, 10 August 2021
- GCSE results - Thursday, 12 August 2021

We will confirm arrangements for the distribution of results nearer the time.

It has definitely been an unusual year but the students have shown great resilience throughout. They have dealt with the circumstances thrown at them with integrity and I have the greatest respect for them.

Yours faithfully



**Andrew Downing**  
**Principal**