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Dear Parent/Guardian

SQA PROVISIONAL GRADES AND APPEALS PROCESS

SQA state that the provisional grades have to be evidence based so it is essential that our young people keep up to date with their courses and complete their extended assessments in all subjects. We will take a holistic view of your child's performance in each subject using all the evidence we have. The extended assessments have a 'high predictive value' as they mirror the final SQA exam that your child would normally have sat. Your child's attainment in these assessments will strongly inform the final SQA provisional grade assigned to your child. Where your child has not performed well, we will consider any other assessment evidence we have; where they have demonstrated their knowledge and skills across the course, we will use that evidence to inform their provisional grade. Please be assured that we will have used every piece of evidence we have to assign the best grade possible to your child.

During the week beginning 21 June, you will receive a final tracking report recording the SQA provisional grades we have assigned to your child; this will be posted to you and a paper copy will be given to your child in school. Provisional Grades will be submitted to SQA on the 25 June.

SQA have just announced their appeals process. Your child can register to appeal their grades from Friday 25 June to Thursday 12 August at www.sqa.org.uk/appeals SQA will process appeal requests from 10 August which is the day the children receive their final results from SQA. When submitting an appeal, you will be asked to provide specific information including the reason for appeal. SQA have stated that the appeal process can result in grades going up, down or remaining the same.

I have attached a copy of the "SQA What You Need to Know Appeals 2021" document for reference; please read this and contact me at the school if you require any further information.

I will be in school on 5 August if you wish to discuss appeals. Mr McPike and I will be in school on 10 August, the day the children receive their results; Mr Hodgart will also be available to support any issues with UCAS. I will be in school on 15 and 16 of August to discuss any outstanding concerns or option changes prior to our pupils returning to school on 19 August.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

TS Stevens
Head Teacher