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Dear Parent/Carer

I hope that you have had the chance to have some family time over the holidays in these difficult and unique circumstances and that students are now more certain about what will happen regarding their A Level grades.

Whilst subject staff will not be setting any further A level work teachers can still be contacted by students who may wish to continue doing some work in that subject if this will help with their university course.

Most students have now received all of their offers and made decisions about their choices, but in case students have not, UCAS has extended the deadlines for this so that:

- If you receive your last decision on or before 4 June 2020, your reply date is 18 June 2020 (except if you're using Extra to find a place).
- If you receive your last decision on or before 13 July 2020, your reply date is 20 July 2020 (including Extra choices)

Universities are keeping in touch with all of their applicants and offer holders regularly, to reassure them that they are working with the Government and higher education bodies to ensure a fair and transparent admissions process. They know that all the uncertainty at this time is causing anxiety amongst students so are dedicated to keeping you informed with more information as soon as they have it.

Students should have applied or be applying for student finance and the deadline for this is 22nd May. Student finance decisions are made on previous tax years but under the current circumstances there have been some changes to this. If you think that your household income is going to be 15% lower this year than the previous tax year student finance can be assessed on current year income (CYI). You can get more details on this by following this link:

https://www.gov.uk/guidance/guidance-for-prospective-students

It is also important for students to apply for accommodation. A lot of universities are offering virtual tours if students have not visited the accommodation.

It has now been confirmed that A Level results will be issued on 13th August which was the original date scheduled and our plan is currently to have staff available that day for advice and guidance as we have done in previous years. I will confirm arrangements for this closer to the time.

If anyone has any queries about the university application process please do not hesitate to contact me.

On an exciting note we are setting up an online shop so that Year 13 students can order leavers hoodies. I will be in touch with details about this shortly.

Regards

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