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Dear Year 11

When we started the academic year in September 2019, nobody would have dreamt that we would end the year with school closed to the majority of students and all GCSE exams cancelled. In a way, it feels like you have been cheated out of your right to sit your exams. It feels like you have been cheated out of that final feeling of celebration. Perhaps you feel that your story of school and how it all came to an end has somehow been ruined. But, this is not necessarily the case.

I always like to think that I see my glass as half full and not half empty. If I can give you a tip in life, I will give you that one. If you can try to see the positives in situations, it will help you to lead a more successful and a happier life. So take this current situation. Yes, you did not get to sit your exams. But, all the learning and the experiences throughout Years 7, 8, 9, 10 and most of 11 still happened. All the laughter, and sometimes the tears, were real. All the friendships, the odd moments of conflict and subsequent resolutions were true. Coronavirus has not taken that away from you. All the memories are there, inside your minds, and you just have to access them.

Try not to worry about your GCSE results and remember we will be here to help you, should you need us, as you begin the next part of life's adventure. You will receive information close to the time about how you will receive those results and please keep an eye on your emails and college websites for details about virtual intake days and enrolment details.

For those of you who were planning to attend prom, we have a provisional date of November 19th 2020 agreed with Aintree Racecourse but of course this is dependent on Government guidance, which will be available closer to the time.

For now good luck, stay safe and look forward to the future.

Kind Regards,

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