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Dear Student/Parent/Carer

As we are nearing the end of term, we are writing to thank our students for the commitment and effort they have put into their learning since returning in September. They have all worked hard under difficult circumstances and demonstrated resilience in these uncertain times, well done.

The last day of term will be **Friday 18**th **December**, there will be lessons as normal all day and the new term starts on **Tuesday 4**th **January 2021**.

As we are sure you are aware, the start of term will consist of subject assessments for all year 12 students. These assessments are extremely important for the following reasons:

- To gain a good understanding of the grade each student is working at.
- To work out where a student is at present and what they need to do to continue to make progress (clear targets will be set from these assessments)

Assessments will take place as 'in class' assessments and are not formally timetabled. We believe that the assessments will be of great benefit to the students and will help to prepare them for the summer mock examinations. Subject teachers will be outlining what to expect for their particular subject. Students have been reminded, over the last two weeks, about the importance of revision over the Christmas holiday period.

Following this period of assessment for year 12, a data report will be issued on 10th February 2021, containing target grades and current working grades. A full written report will follow later in the academic year.

Yours faithfully

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