



Westborough
High School

Together we Succeed

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Dear Year 11

The news that we all received on Wednesday that this year's GCSE examinations are not going to take place was a shock to us all.

As a year group, you have worked so hard during your time at Westborough. There is no doubt that you are a special group of pupils and are a valued part of our school.

The examinations have been cancelled as the peak of the virus might happen in the middle of the GCSEs in May and June.

Although this is hard, I would still urge and encourage you to maintain your studies, as even though the exams have been cancelled, you might have to demonstrate your knowledge of English and maths when you join your new post-16 provider or employer route. Also, keep building on your knowledge of your post-16 chosen subjects so you are as prepared as you can be.

Please refer to the VLE for support with your learning.

Do remember that learning lasts forever and that all your work, your skills, your knowledge are yours to keep.

There is no doubt that the announcement on Wednesday was incredibly hard for you, but there will be a time for us all to come together and celebrate your time at Westborough High School.

The following passage from Maya Angelou, who was a poet and civil rights activist in the United States might be helpful:

'You may not control all the events that happen to you, but you can decide not to be reduced by them.'

You are an amazing group of young people and I am proud of you all.

Thank you!

Best Wishes

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