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Dear Parent/Carer,

I am writing to provide an update on the grades your son will have received today. After the chaos of the last few weeks and the controversy and debate surrounding the grading process, it was with much relief that the Government decided to change the grading system, moving towards the grades submitted by centres. The media, and indeed the secretary of state, are referring to these as 'Teacher Assessed Grades', however, I think it is important to clarify the rigorous process undertaken by the school and make clear that the grades your son will receive today are 'Centre Assessed Grades' (CAGs).

As you will know following the cancellation of the public examinations, schools were asked to submit CAGs to examination boards. Heads of Department and classroom teachers took a great deal of time over this process and considered a wide range of information. The grades generated were then analysed in detail by the senior leadership team, external consultants and finally signed off by me as Headteacher.

I understand that this has been a stressful and anxious time for all pupils, but hope this letter provides reassurance of the rigorous process that the school has undertaken in making these decisions. If you have any further questions around the grades your son has received please email Miss James at cjames@lns.org.uk.

Yours faithfully,

Michael Schofield