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Dear Pupil, Parent / Carer

I am writing with regards to the SQA results for session 2020.

As you will be aware, the Depute First Minister (DFM) announced on 11th August that the SQA were revising their original position and had decided to award all candidates with their teacher estimates. However, it should be noted that any pupil who achieved an award higher than the teacher estimate (an ‘upgrade’) would not be penalised and the upgrade would stand.

Since the announcement, we have been working hard on a process to issue pupils with their estimates, whilst also incorporating any upgrades. Pupils were issued with these today. This information was taken from the data set sent to SQA in May, combined with a cross-reference of upgrades.

During this process it has come to our attention that some pupils had previously been given incorrect information about a small number of estimates. We apologise wholeheartedly for this and any distress this may have caused. We continue to support pupils with their course choices for session 2020/21, and any questions/concerns about SQA’s revised results process.

Pupils who have been impacted by the DFM announcement should have new certificates issued by SQA very shortly.

In the meantime, thank you for your patience and understanding. If you have any remaining questions, please contact us at the number above.

Yours sincerely,



Lynne Hollywood

Head Teacher