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Dear Parent/Carer

On 11 August at 3pm, John Swinney, Depute First Minister (DFM), made a statement in Parliament regarding the SQA 2020 results (include link to the full statement).

Please find below the key points which were made and the next steps which we, as a school, will take. The DFM stated ***"...I am today directing the SQA to reissue those awards based solely on teacher or lecturer judgement."***

We will inform our pupils, by letter, if they were subject to a downgrade by the SQA and confirm the grade which was submitted by school to the SQA. There is no longer a requirement to submit a post-certification review.

The DFM stated ***"The SQA will issue fresh certificates to affected candidates as soon as possible and, importantly, will inform UCAS and other admission bodies of the new grades as soon as practical in the coming days to allow for applications to college and university to be progressed."***

The DFM also stated ***"...there remains the need for the option of an appeal in some circumstances and detail on this will be set out by the end of the week."***

We await further information from the Scottish Government and the SQA regarding this.

If you have telephoned or emailed the school with a query, please trust that we will respond to you as soon as possible. Addressing issues relating to 2020 examination results and making all necessary arrangements for reopening the school are our key priorities at the present time.

Yours sincerely,

Douglas Watt
Head Teacher