

19th October 2020

Dear Parents and Carers

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GCSE and vocational certificates

I hope you and your families are keeping safe and well and our former pupils are doing well wherever they currently are.

As it becomes increasingly clear that the effects of Covid-19 will be with us for some months to come, and that the requirements of local lockdown become more stringent, we have decided to send pupils' GCSE and vocational qualification certificates out by secure post.

When the certificates are received in school (which will be later in the Autumn term) they will be sent to individual pupils on the address we have for them on the school management system. It is therefore important that the address we have on the system is correct. If you have recently changed your address, please contact school so that we can ensure pupil's certificates are sent to the correct address. If former pupils have a close relative still in school, they can give their written permission for this nominated person to take the certificates home on the pupil's behalf.

Because of the spread of infection and despite our best intentions, it is now unrealistic that we will be able hold any form of Prize Night or celebration of last year's Year 11 pupils. Although reasonable people would agree with this decision, it is something that I, the teachers and staff in school deeply regret and certainly not the way we ever envisaged our Class of 2020 leaving St Bede's.

Yours sincerely

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