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Dear students and parents,

Following on from my letter on the 23rd of March the IB have released some updates. I have pasted some of the most relevant ones below.

'How will the results be calculated?

We will be using vast historical assessment data to ensure that we follow a rigorous process of due diligence in what is a truly unprecedented situation. We will be undertaking significant data analysis from previous exam sessions, individual school data, subject data as well as comparative data of schools who have already completed uploading requirements and those who have not. We will require schools to submit the coursework for all candidates. We will externally mark work that is usually marked by teachers, instead of taking samples and applying moderation.

How will a student be awarded an IB Diploma or Certificate?

Using the information above the IB will be able to provide official documentation of the students diploma or certification. We will require schools to submit the coursework for all candidates. We will externally mark work that is usually marked by teachers, instead of taking samples and applying moderation.

When will results be released?

The IB intends to release results to universities/institutions and schools as planned on 5 July 2020.

Some students perform better in exam conditions than coursework, can we be sure they are not being disadvantaged?

We will use a calculation that is based on the relationship between coursework marks, predicted grades and subject grades to estimate the subject grades candidates would have received if the exams had gone ahead. If the relationship between these elements shows that in previous sessions candidates globally tended to achieve higher outcomes on their exams than their coursework, the calculation used this session will reflect that.'

Will we be able to submit an Enquiry Upon Result (EUR) if students are not happy with the results?

Yes, schools will be able to submit EURs.

Can I retake if I am unhappy with the result?

Yes, students will be able to retake in a future session.

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Therefore, results will be issued as at the normal time, using your log in codes which you already have. Request for results will continue as normal, as long as you have given me your university choices.

Clearly this is a fast-paced, fluid situation. I will send you more details as and when they emerge.

Please keep safe.

Kind regards,

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