

Dear Yr 11 Student

As we approach an important time in your educational journey, whilst you complete your school work from home when you would normally be planning to sit GCSE exams we want to let you know how proud we are of you and how we recognise how hard you have worked. We know you would have tried your absolute best in every exam but there is something important you need to know....

GCSE's do not assess all of what makes you unique, you are special and the people who create these exams do not know you in the way we, or your families do.

They do not know you have an amazing sense of humor; they have not seen your talent for art or catering, and they do not know that your laughter can brighten up our classrooms. They do not recognise that you go quiet or that your face turns red when you are shy, yet despite this, you have attended school and spoken to a huge range of visitors over the academic year. You have made friends with your peers, shared wonderful ideas and produced some outstanding work whilst blossoming into a confident young person.

They do not know about the excitement we have shared when we have talked about your future or the kindness and patience you have demonstrated with new students arriving in Endeavour. They do not know that you are kind, thoughtful and trustworthy and that each day you try to be at your best.

We know you would have tried your hardest during exams and we are confident that this hard work will be recognised, but this will not tell you everything about all of your learning and achievements throughout your time at Endeavour Academy or how much you have grown, matured or moved forward since beginning here.

There are many ways of being smart, you are smart! Remember, we think you are amazing and there is no way to 'test' all of the wonderful and awesome things that make you, YOU!

Quite simply, you are going to do amazing things and be the very best version of yourself. We are proud of you and for the next few weeks, our teaching may be delivered differently, but we are still here and we are still expecting to see you all again once school is in a position to re-open.

BELIEVE IN YOURSELF IN THE WAY WE BELIEVE IN YOU.

From **Endeavour Academy staff**