

10<sup>th</sup> August 2021

Dear Parent/Carer and Year 13 student,

I write to you all to extend my heartfelt congratulations on the accomplishments during your time at INA.

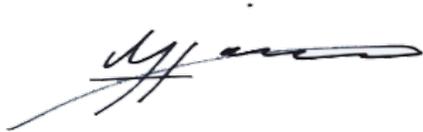
Unquestionably, these last few years of your child's education journey have been incredibly challenging and have certainly made the adjustment to sixth form learning and expectations far harder. Despite only being the Principal for this academic year, I am nonetheless, extremely proud of the commitment, dedication and sacrifices our Year 13 students have made this year. I am especially proud of how our students have adapted to the ever-changing examination landscape, responding with optimism and a growth mindset to the numerous demands put on them, some by myself and many by policy makers.

This year witnessed a change in how students' grades would be formulated, which I hope makes their grades this year feel more real by earning them on the assessments and examinations completed. Our students were part of a robust and rigorous process in which their TAGs were established. This was reinforced by the examination boards, as zero marks or grades were changed, something we are incredibly proud of. Therefore, I am highly confident that the students have benefitted on many levels by attending our academy and the grades they have been awarded, which should make them feel very proud of their achievements.

Consequently, we have seen a truly excellent set of A-level and BTEC results and destinations achieved by our students, supported by a relentless commitment of our staff. I am confident that these will be the best Year 13 outcomes that INA has produced and will provide a real benchmark for future success when we return to 'normal' examinations next year (hopefully!).

Finally, I wish all our Year 13 students the very best for their next steps. I ask that you remain committed to being part of the INA community long into the future as alumni, providing inspiration and motivation for those students yet to embark on their sixth form journey. We will be here for you to support you and your families into the future, with whatever you may need. Remember to always follow your why.

Yours sincerely



Morgan Haines  
Principal