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Dear Student

In this envelope are the results of your most recent external examinations. Before you look at your results, I want you to first read this letter. I know you have been waiting on these grades and scores but I ask you to delay just a moment longer.

I hope your results reflect what you have been hoping for and are a just reward for all your hard work and effort over the past number of years. Please God, your results are what you need to take you onto the next stage of your life and allow you to follow your plans and dreams for your future. If this is the case, please enjoy this well-deserved moment and smile! We are all so very pleased for you.

However, perhaps your results are not the results you were hoping for. If this is the case, it is only natural that you will feel disappointed and a little upset. We will also feel disappointed **for you** but we are not disappointed **in you**. Please know that sometimes life does not work out as we planned and that can bring a whole range of thoughts and feelings which can take time to sort through. Always remember that no matter what, we are here to support you. If you need some help and advice please ask. We believe in you and your ability as a person.

In Belfast Model School for Girls, we recognise that each one of our students is unique. You are special and we are very proud of you. **We value you as a young person much more than we value any set of results.** What matters to us most is that you continue to grow to become a woman, who is a kind, respectful, generous and loving adult, who makes a positive difference to our world by how you live your life.

So remember that the scores and grades in your envelope are only the results of some tests. They are not a measure of who you are or what you can become. You are a wonderful gift from God to this world.

God bless

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Paula Stuart". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial 'P'.

Ms P Stuart and ALL the staff