



Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to all Year 11 families with the purpose of providing an update regarding GCSE examinations planned for this summer.

The government have announced that public examinations for GCSE will not take place as planned.

I appreciate that this creates a degree of uncertainty, anxiety and certainly disappointment that our students do not get the opportunity to complete their exams.

Year 11 students will be awarded Centre Assessed Grades (CAGs), which are our professional prediction regarding their final grade.

I wanted to stress the importance that our Year 11 students continue to engage in all subjects and complete their GCSE courses, with specific focus on the following.

They will be receiving a calendar of their assessments and how we will be professionally predicting their grade. Your child will have the ability to focus on their assessments and ensure that they try their best.

Included in your child's Final Grade will be:

- Your child's teachers' view of their grade.
- Your child's mock result.
- Your child's work on Google Classrooms.
- Your child's classwork.
- The assessments that are planned.
- The work your child completed in Year 10.
- Your child's NEA.
- Your child's attendance.
- If your child was self-isolating for any mocks, these will not count towards your child's final grade.
- If your child is absent from any assessments, you will be required to provide medical evidence just like in the real exams. If you do not provide this, your child will be awarded a 0.
- Your child is to continue to complete all independent learning to a high standard.
- Your child is to complete any outstanding coursework that is required from subject areas.
- Your child is to remain fully committed to their revision schedules to maximise assessment preparation and practice.
- We can capture additional assessment data for our Year 11 students for the CAGs process to be as robust as possible.

Lastly, I appreciate that these are challenging times, but I am confident that we can get through this by continuing to work together and strive forward together.

Yours sincerely

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