

17 May 2021

Dear Parents and carers,

Grading for Summer 2021

We are writing to you to update you on the GCSE grading process for summer 2021. As you are aware from our previous correspondence, your child's teacher will assess the standard at which they are performing based only on what has been taught over their course. This judgement will be based on a range of evidence relating to the subject content that has been delivered, either in the classroom or via our remote learning offer.

Teachers will make judgements based on evidence primarily used from the assessments taken by students in April and May 2021 as per our assessment timetable that was shared with you previously. In some subjects where there is coursework, portfolios or performance elements these may also be considered in the judgements. Teachers may use secondary evidence such as mock exam results, in-class assessments and other significant pieces of work if primary evidence is insufficient or students have extenuating circumstances.

Students studying BTECs or OCR Cambridge Nationals will also be given a teacher assessed grade. This will require teachers to make an informed judgement on the grade received using a variety of evidence, such as performance of task or assessments/external units that have already been completed.

To help parents and students better understand the evidence that is being considered in the grading process in each subject we have attached a useful summary document to this letter. Please take the opportunity to read this document as it will hopefully answer any questions you may have had about the evidence that is being considered in the awarding of your child's grades.

Submission of Grades and Results Day

Teachers will submit grades to the appropriate exam boards no later than **Friday 18th June 2021** ensuring that quality assurance arrangements by the exam board can ensure consistent judgements are being made. Results day will take place on **Thursday 12th August 2021**. Details of the arrangements for results day will be shared with you nearer to the time.

Finally, we would like to ask for your continuing support in keeping your children motivated, ensuring they stay fully engaged in their study and make the most of the opportunities they have in their final few weeks.

Yours faithfully



Mrs Gabbi
Principal



Mr Baria
Senior Vice Principal



Miss Pickering
Year 11 Progress Leader