

18 May 2021

Dear Parents and carers,

Grading for Summer 2021

We are writing to you to update you on the A Level process for summer 2021. As you are aware from our previous correspondence, your child's teachers 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 from the assessments taken by students in March and May 2021 as per our assessment timetable that was shared with you previously. In some subjects where there are coursework, portfolios or performance elements, these may also be considered in the judgements. Teachers may also 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 in Health and Social Care 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 including assessments / external units that have already been completed and coursework.

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** so that quality assurance arrangements by the exam board enable consistent judgements to be made. Results day will take place on **Tuesday 10th August 2021**. Details of the arrangements for results day will be shared with you nearer the time.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you and your child for all your support over the last two years. We fully appreciate that it has been unusually challenging but your child has impressed us every day with their resilience, ambition and determination. We will miss them all.

Yours faithfully



Mrs Meena Gabbi
Principal



Mrs Kerrie Jones
Head of 6th Form

