



Dear Parents and Carers,

We have just received confirmation of the approach to this Summers A level and GCSE Examinations from Ofqual. There have been several amendments put in place to ensure students are supported and that the exams the students sit will be fairer for them. I have attached the full document from Ofqual for you, but a brief summary is outlined below:

**Summary of Ofqual Exam decisions for summer 2022:**

1. There will be optional topics and content in GCSE English Literature, Geography and History.
2. Students taking ANY Art course will be assessed on PORTFOLIO ONLY.
3. EXAMS BOARDS HAVE PLEDGED TO PROVIDE ADVANCE INFORMATION about the focus of the content for ALL A level and GCSE exams. This will become available in February 2022.
4. Students will be provided with formulae sheets in GCSE Maths and Physics for use in examinations. These will be provided in advance so that students can familiarize themselves with the sheets.

**Grading of Exams in 2022:**

Ofqual have also explained that 2022 will be a “transition year” for grading.

Essentially this means that grades in Summer 2022 will sit between the midway point between 2019 and 2021 i.e. grades will be higher than in 2019 but not as high as last year's results.

All of the adjustments have been made to mitigate the impact of the disruption that all students in Year 13 and 11 currently have faced during the pandemic, without undermining the value of their qualifications, and their ability to make their next steps into further and higher education or training.

We have yet to receive any information regarding vocational courses, but we will communicate arrangements for students studying Cambridge Technicals/Nationals and Btecs as soon as we can.

**Results Days Summer 2022:**

Results days for this summer are confirmed as

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> August 2022 for A levels and Level 3 Btecs.

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> August 2022 for GCSE and Level 2 Cambridge Nationals.

I hope this news is reassuring for students and families. In the meantime, we remain focused on ensuring students continue to attend regularly, put in consistent effort each day, and prepare as thoroughly as they can for the forthcoming KAPs. We wish all our students the very best this year and we will continue to support them to the best of our ability.

Yours sincerely

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