

Dear Parents, Carers and Students

Re: Qualification Results 2020

I realise that we are in uncertain and unprecedented times and that this is a results day like no other. Nonetheless, I wanted to write to you today to say well done and congratulations to students for their hard work throughout their time in the 6th Form and for the grades that they have been awarded today. More than ever, it is important to praise and recognise what goes into 6th Form study beyond the simple awarding of a final grade.

We will have staff available at school to support students this morning in securing their next steps on the back of these results. The process by which these grades have been awarded is a complex one in comparison to other years and, as communicated prior to now, a significant part of which has been undertaken by the examination boards. As you know, the school took considerable time and care in a robust process to allocate fair Centre Assessed Grades (CAGs) that were submitted to the examination boards for standardisation.

We are investigating all means at our disposal to challenge the process where in our judgement the final grade is not a fair reflection of the grade students at Warlingham Sixth Form College should have received or their CAGs. Whilst doing all we can to support all students in securing their next steps beyond Warlingham, we are also committed to doing all we can as a centre to ensure that no student is unfairly disadvantaged by the system employed to allocate grades. This will of course include looking at Mock Examination results in line with the recent government announcement. We are aware that there may be further developments and decisions regarding the process for awarding grades and will continue to support students and parents throughout.

Thank you for your support and understanding throughout this process in such unprecedented times.

Yours sincerely

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