



18th August 2020

Re: Y11 Results Day, Thursday 20th August 2020

Dear Parents and Students in Y11,

As you will be aware, yesterday it was announced that the 2020 GCSE results would be taken from the Centre Assessed Grades with official results to follow next week. The better of the two results will count for pupils. On Thursday the Centre Assessed Grades will be shared as directed by the Secretary of State. I have included for you below the link to this announcement;

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/gcse-and-a-level-students-to-receive-centre-assessment-grades>

Please remember to book your time slot for this Thursday (using the Parents' Evening booking system on the school website) if you intend to come into school to collect your GCSE results in person.

Covid restrictions mean that seven slots are available every five minutes from 10am in order to limit the number of people in the building at any one time. Unfortunately, we will only be able to allow pupils in to the building meaning family members and friends will have to wait at the front of school. We will operate a one-way system, with pupils entering via the side doors near art / technology and leaving via the main doors at reception. Students must clean their hands as they enter the building. We would ask that you abide by local lockdown rules and disperse from in front of the school as your child leaves in order to maintain social distancing.

In allocating Centre Assessed Grades a robust procedure took place following the guidance issued by the DfE and OFQUAL. The process took over two months as schools made every effort to ensure this was rigorous, fair and anticipated the planned OFQUAL moderation. It involved our teaching staff taking part in numerous discussions within subject teams, across the senior leadership and with other schools using national data. We used a wide range of evidence and a rigorous internal quality assurance process which resulted in the data sent to OFQUAL. As a result, the grades awarded this year are as valid as in any other year and will allow pupils to progress to the next stage of their lives in the normal way.

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On Thursday, when students come in they will receive an envelope with their name that contains their grades for their subjects. It will also include information about what to do if they wish to make further enquiries or appeal any grades. We expect this process to follow the publication of the Official National Data next week. Due to Covid and the limited number of staff on site for results day any requests for help or support in relation to GCSE exam results will be dealt with remotely as soon as possible. We ask students to send an email to our exams officer, Mrs Howarth (angela.howarth@salford.gov.uk) and we will respond as soon as possible.

Due to the unique circumstances relating to results day this year, it won't be possible for us all to celebrate and take pictures as we normally would so please send us your celebratory photos to stpatricks.rchighschool@salford.gov.uk.

We look forward to seeing you on Thursday,

Regards

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