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Dear Parents/Carers

As we approach results day, we would like to update you regarding arrangements for collecting results, and subsequent next steps guidance and advice. We hope that, despite the unusual circumstances surrounding this year's exam results, there will be much to celebrate and that students' hard work will be recognised.

Results can be collected by your son/daughter in person or they can be accessed on MCAS later in the day. Uncollected result will be posted.

As previously communicated, exam results days are scheduled for Thursday 13th Augusts 2020.

Our results day will operate as follows

Results will be available at 9:00 am in the sixth form centre. Please follow the rules below:

- **The Jennings Road entrance must be used**
- **Follow the one-way system in and out of the sixth form centre**
- **Only one student and one parent/carer may come into the 6th form centre**
- **Bring your own pen to sign for your results**
- **If you have any issues with UCAS or your University place, help will be available in sixth form block in Room 6B.**

We appreciate parents/carers and students may well have questions about the grading process. The attached information from Ofqual outlines the main two-step process for arriving at a final grade:

Step 1 - School considers and submits centre assessment grade and rank order information

Step 2 - Exam boards standardise grades using statistical model developed with Ofqual

Whilst we hope to be celebrating with our students, it is possible there may be some queries about results and grades. The attached flowchart shows the options open to students if they are concerned about their grades. Please note that in most cases, there is not an option for individual students to appeal directly to the exam board. Any appeal must be evidence based and, in almost all cases, submitted by the school. Should you have any queries, following the publication of results, please contact Mr Ramsey in the first instance. Individual subject teachers will not be able to address your queries. Please note, we may not be able to respond immediately on the results day. The full appeal process is attached and available on the website.

You may also be aware that when A level were cancelled this year the Government said students would have the opportunity to sit their exams in an autumn exam series if they felt that the grade they were awarded did not reflect the one they thought they might achieve. Ofqual has confirmed that a full suite of exams will be offered in the autumn term. These exams will be scheduled between 5th and 23rd October and

the school entry deadline is 2nd September, although the finer details regarding timetable and logistics are still to be confirmed by the exam boards. Resit forms will be available on the website.

We are looking forward to meeting you on results day to celebrate your success.

Yours sincerely

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Mr P. Ramsey
Headteacher

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Mr M. Freakley
Deputy Headteacher