

17<sup>th</sup> April 2020

#### Dear Parents and Carers,

There has been further information from Ofqual about summer gradings that I would like to share with you and I would also like to provide everyone with the arrangements concerning bringing books to school to add to the teacher evidence base.

Ofqual are currently undertaking a consultation and you can see some of the ideas being proposed by clicking on the link below.

https://www.gov.uk/government/news/ofqual-seeks-views-on-gcse-and-a-level-grading-proposals-for-2020

### **Arrangements for bringing books to school**

I asked Year 11 students to collate together all their exercise books and homework for each subject. These will need to be brought to school but at the same time it needs to be done in a managed way to ensure the safety for all people involved. This process will take place next week on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2020 and Friday 24<sup>th</sup> April 2020 according to the table below. It would help if parents could bring their son/daughter to the school so that we don't have lots of students walking down or leaving together. On arrival at school, you will be directed where to drop off books/resources. The schedule is based upon surname in alphabetical order and in hourly blocks. *Please ensure that your son/daughter is aware of their time to come to school and these are the only times that books and resources can be dropped at the school.* 

# Thursday 23rd April 2020

9am – 10am	Abutalebi to Best
10am – 11am	Biju to Chana
11am – 12 noon	Chaplin to Emery
12 noon – 1pm	Encarnacao to Grimmond
1pm – 2pm	Gumbrell to Jones
2pm – 3pm	Joys to Kyle

## Friday 24th April 2020

9am – 10am	Lambert to Millar
10am – 11am	Mills to Paterson
11am – 12 noon	Patkovic to Schoenberg
12 noon – 1pm	Scott to Turnbull
1pm – 2pm	Turner to Zeevi

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### **Results Day for Year 11**

The Department for Education (DfE) in the UK has confirmed that GCSE results will be released on 20<sup>th</sup> August 2020. Details will follow from our exams team about our procedures to collect results from school.

#### **Autumn exams**

Students who had been entered to take exams this summer will receive a grade calculated by the exam board for each of their subjects. Students who feel that the grade does not reflect their ability or for whom it was not possible to issue a calculated grade, will be able to take exams in the additional exams series which will be scheduled for this autumn or, if they prefer, next summer. Ofqual are still considering how the autumn exams should operate so I have no further information at the moment.

#### **Examination queries**

From this point onwards, please do not contact any member of staff concerning examination grades. If you have any examination concerns, please can you direct it to myself and I will distribute the query to a relevant member of staff in order to reply. My email address is <a href="major@tomlinscoteschool.com">rmajor@tomlinscoteschool.com</a>

Tomlinscote School will not be informing any student what grades have been provided to the examination board. The first time that the students will receive their subject grade will be on the official results day in August and this grade will be a result of centre assessment and exam board standardisation procedures to ensure the process is fair to students.

I hope that this provides you with a bit more information and I will update you further when the latest Ofqual consultation has been concluded.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Major Principal