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Dear Parent/Guardian

### GCSE Examinations 2022

The Government have now concluded their consultation on GCSE examinations for 2022. Please find the key points and subject level summary of changes being made [here](#). This information has been shared with students and subject specific impacts will be discussed in lessons this week. In short, the Government are fully expecting an exam series to go ahead in May/June 2022 albeit with some concessions in terms of specification content and optionality on questions in some subjects.

The Government have set up the following blog which you might also find useful:

<https://educationhub.blog.gov.uk/category/gcse/>

There is a strong caveat that sits alongside this document which states that should there be ongoing significant disruption to the education of students then the Government reserve the right to make changes and potentially introduce a hybrid system which would see Teacher Assessed Grades (TAGs) contributing to the overall grade awarded.

We will, of course, keep you and the students up to date should there be any changes.

### November PPEs

As you will be aware students have been busy preparing for their November PPE exams which are taking place directly after the October Half Term break. You can find a copy of the PPE exam timetable [here](#). Students have received a copy of this today and it can also be found in their tutor Google Classroom.

The exams will be run under JCQ exam conditions, to reflect summer 2022. This mirrors how the June PPEs were run too, which the students adapted to well. Students with pre-agreed Access Arrangements will have these in place and those in receipt of these are aware.

Some key information to help with the smooth running of this exam series:

- Students will register each morning in the Quad with their tutor before heading into the morning exam session
- Exams will take place in the Main Hall. Students with Access Arrangements will use the Training Suite (as previously agreed).
- Students will make their own way to the exam hall for the second session of the day (after break)
- Students who miss an exam through absence will sit them upon their return
- If a student is late to school, they must promptly sign in at Student Services before making their way to the exam hall

Exam papers will be internally marked and moderated and results returned to students in a special assembly on 7 December. Year 11 Parents' Evening will take place that evening, details of which will be shared in due course.

Yours faithfully

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