



16 July 2020

Dear Parents/ Carers and Year 12 and Year 13 Students

If things had run normally this year, our Sixth Form students would have celebrated taking their final AS and A2 exam paper last week. But, things have not been normal, and we have all had to get used to a slightly different approach to life over the last few months. I hope you have all been able to keep safe and well during this time.

As you will have been aware, the school was asked to provide information directly to exam boards, so that they could then devise a qualification grade for each student in every subject they would have taken the exam for. You must be aware the predicted grades the school submits are simply a starting point for the allocation of final grades by the exam boards, taking into account the National picture and previous school and student performance. Therefore, our submitted grades will still be subject to change during the moderation that occurs at a National level, as is the case during the normal examination process, but even more so in this unusual situation

As you are all aware, due to current social distancing guidelines, sadly we are not in a position to hold a 'normal' Results Day, with all learners mingling together and picking up their results at the same time. However, we do feel that it is really important that we ensure that all our students have the opportunity to pick up their results on site and speak to members of staff and friends, all at a safe social distance of course.

The final grades will be issued on the original exam Results Day, Thursday 13 August. Our plans for the collection and distribution of the results have taken into account that some level of social distancing is likely to still be in place at this time.

- Student results will be available for collection from 9.00am until 1.00pm. Students must enter the Academy via the entrance at the main reception. Please be aware students may have to wait in a socially distance manner outside of the Academy reception.
- Results will be distributed from the library, and there will be a strict one-way system in place; enter through reception and leave via the sports centre gate.
- There will be other safety measures in place too, for example, we will provide hand sanitiser as you enter the school building.
- Students who have any queries or questions regarding their results will be able to speak to members of the Senior Leadership Team. If required, follow up Teams meetings can also be arranged with tutors and members of the Sixth Form team.
- It is important to reiterate that students will need to come into the Academy building alone and any parents/ carers will need to wait in the car park area.

We really want to be able to support all our students in the best way possible, and we believe that by following this plan we will be able to do so safely. It is imperative if a student is feeling unwell, displaying symptoms of Covid-19 or are self-isolating, that they should not attend Results Day under any circumstances.

Thank you once again for your support. If there is anything else you would like us to support you with during these uncertain times, then please do not hesitate to get in touch.

We would like to wish all of our leavers the best of luck for the future; remember how proud of you we all are and always believe in yourselves.

Thank you for your understanding and continued support during this difficult time, and stay safe.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "L Hedges".

Mrs L Hedges
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