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Grades in 2021



Welcome

Peter Law – Principal

David Clarke – Head of Sixth Form / Deputy Principal

Jamie Freeman – Assistant Principal

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Regina Lawrence – Deputy Principal

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Following the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic, the government has decided that the Summer 2021 examination series **will not go ahead as planned.**

Instead, teachers will determine your grades, based upon a **range of evidence** verified by the college.

Much like with exams in normal years, the grades issued by colleges will **not take account of your potential.** They will be a view of the standard you are performing at based on a wide range of evidence.

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Teacher assessed grades

Teachers assess students against a **national standard** based on **existing and new evidence**

Internal quality assurance

- Within the school and trust, checking the evidence

External quality assurance

- By exam boards, checking the evidence

If exam boards agree with our evidence, our grades will be awarded

If students do not think their grades are accurate, they can appeal

How will I be assessed?

The professional judgement of teachers will only be based on **what you have been taught.**

Your teachers will use a range of evidence from across your course of study to make their decision.

What forms can assessment take?

Assessment may have already happened, or may take place this half term.

Any new assessments will be shorter than exams would have been. They will take place in class.

What forms can assessment take?

Teachers will assess you based on:

- Records of your performance on the **content you have been taught** over the entire course of your studies.
- Non-exam assessment, even if incomplete
- Substantial classwork, homework, internal tests or mock exams that reflects the specification, format and marking of exam boards

Exam board resources

Limited use will be made of the assessment resources provided by the exam boards.

These resources have been released publicly.

Follow the guidance from your teachers about the best way to revise for each subject.

Supportive Teacher *versus* Impartial Assessor

Pupils will be given a minimum of 2 weeks' notice prior to any evidenced-based task so they can revise and prioritise their workload.

The date and details of any evidence-based task will be posted on GO4S following this.

Transparency about evidence

GO 4 Schools will show which key pieces of evidence will be considered for your overall grade.

Grades for individual pieces of evidence will be shown where allowed. Grades may not appear until moderated, or may be required to be embargoed.

Your teachers will **not** be able to tell you the final grade they have submitted to the exam board.

Transparency about evidence

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Example student A

2021 Assessment and outcome grading/TAG	Grade/level
Year 12 mock (Jan)	D
Year 12 mock (summer, but moved to Sept of Y13)	B-
Year 13 (virtual) mock (March)	A
Coast Assessment	B
Place Assessment	B
Hazards/Tectonics Assessment	B
Water/Carbon Assessment	B
Population and Environment Assessment	B-
Globalisation Assessment	-
Population/Enviro End of Topic - May	-
Globalisation End of Topic - May	-
NEA - Internal Assessment/Grading	-

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Example student B

2021 Assessment and outcome grading/TAG	Grade/level
Year 12 mock (Jan)	-
Year 12 mock (summer, but moved to Sept of Y13)	D
Year 13 (virtual) mock (March)	B+
Coast Assessment	-
Place Assessment	-
Hazards/Tectonics Assessment	D
Water/Carbon Assessment	D
Population and Environment Assessment	C+
Globalisation Assessment	-
Population/Enviro End of Topic - May	-
Globalisation End of Topic - May	-
NEA - Internal Assessment/Grading	-

This is not an algorithm

Students will not be disadvantaged by an 'off' day.

No single piece of evidence will necessarily be more important than another, as teachers will be assessing you based on a range of evidence that can give an overall picture of your performance.

Reasonable adjustments, access arrangements and special consideration

- Where possible, we will make sure **reasonable adjustments** and **access arrangements** are included.
 - For assessment information where these were not in place, your teacher will take this into account.
- **Special consideration** requests will **not** apply in the usual way this summer because you will not be taking exams.
- If you think that your performance in an assessment has been affected by illness or personal circumstances, let us know using the form that will be circulated.

When will I receive my grades?

- KS5 students on Tuesday 10 August 2021
- KS4 students on Thursday 12 August 2021

Further information about results days will be communicated.

Appeals

We will work hard to make sure the correct grades are issued on results day.

There will also be an appeals system as a safety net to fix any genuine errors that were not identified earlier on.

Stage 1: Centre review



Stage 2: Appeal to the exam board

It's important to remember that your grade **can go down, up or stay the same** through either stage of the process.

Malpractice

- Your teacher will make the final judgement about what evidence is to be included - this is not a negotiation.
- If students or parents are found to be putting teachers or leaders under undue pressure to increase grades, then this matter will be referred to the exam boards and an investigation into malpractice may ensue. This may result in the student's certificate being removed entirely if malpractice is deemed to have taken place.

Year 11 and Year 13 'Leaving Dates' 2021

- Year 11 and Year 13 students will continue to receive their usual timetabled lessons until Friday 28th May.
- Year 11 and Year 13 students **must be available to attend school** during normal timetabled school hours upon request from Monday June 7th to Friday 18th June.
- This may be to review, complete or update any assessments in support of the evidence needed for 'Teacher Assessed Grades', or for other educational activities linked to progression or preparation for the next phase.
- Some 16-19 providers may offer or run transition or 'bridging' activities or events during June and July - be mindful of this when making plans.

Useful resources

- Jcq guidance for students, parents and guardians:
<https://www.jcq.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/JCQ-Guidance-for-Students-and-Parents-on-Summer-2021.pdf>
- *Feeling worried about grades this year is understandable:*
<https://ofqual.blog.gov.uk/2021/03/30/feeling-worried-about-grades-this-year-is-understandable-here-are-some-things-that-might-help/>