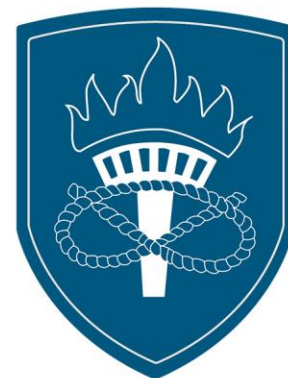


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1<sup>st</sup> March 2021



Dear Parents / Carer

### Year 13 In-Class Assessments from 22<sup>nd</sup> March

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We had previously announced that Year 13 would be sitting mock exams sometime in March. Following the government announcement about how grading will work this year, we have decided that in-class assessments are more appropriate. These will take place during lesson time in weeks commencing 22<sup>nd</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> March.

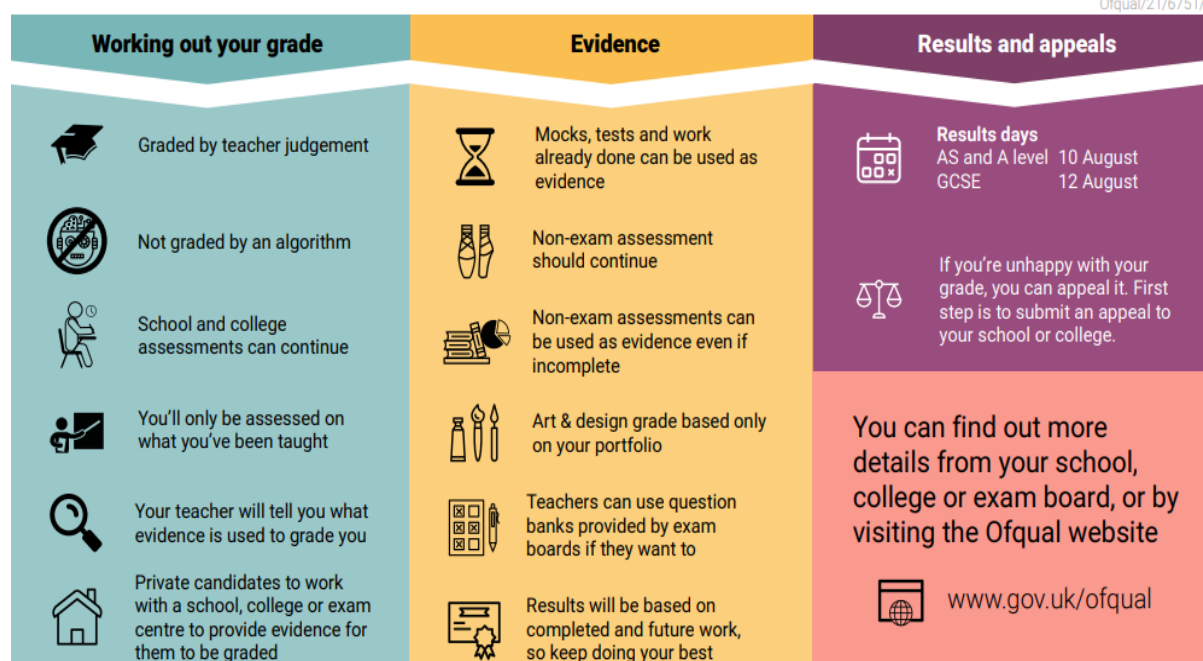
The assessments will only cover material taught so far, either in-school or remotely. The precise details of what material each assessment will cover will be shared next week when pupils are back in school. We will also send this to you in another letter.

The outcomes of these assessments will be used to provide feedback to pupils on how to improve their work and will be one of the many forms of evidence we will be using to inform our Centre Assessed Grades. The following diagram, produced by the government exams watchdog Ofqual, outlines how grading will happen this year:

## How GCSEs, AS and A levels will be awarded in summer 2021

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Here is the full document released by the government on 25<sup>th</sup> February 2021:  
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/awarding-qualifications-in-summer-2021/awarding-qualifications-in-summer-2021>

The Department for Education has also produced a guide for students:  
<https://dfemedia.blog.gov.uk/2021/02/25/what-you-need-to-know-about-grades-in-2021/>  
Information is coming out daily from the government and the different exam boards.

We will be writing to you again with further details about the process of grading as soon as there are further significant updates.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely



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