

1st July 2020

Dear Parent / Carer

I hope my letter finds you and your family well as we head closer to results day in August. I know that these remain anxious times so I write to provide you with further information regarding Year 11 arrangements.

I remind you that, until further notice, we are not permitted to share the Centre Assessed Grades that we submitted to the exam boards in June. This direction comes direct from Ofqual and the Information Commissioner's Office and states:

“Centres must not, under any circumstances, share the centre assessment grades nor the rank order of students, or the endorsement grades for GCSE English language and A level biology, chemistry, geology and physics, with students, or their Summer 2020 grades for GCSE, AS and A level, Extended Project Qualification and Advanced Extension Award in maths 16 parents/carers or any other individuals outside the centre, before final results have been issued.”

If the above direction changes I will write to you to inform of those changes and what this means for you and your child. In the meantime I continue to ask that you do not ask any members of staff for the grades awarded by the school as we are unable to give you this information.

Arrangements for Exam Days

The following arrangements have been made for your child to receive their exam results awarded by exam boards in August:

GCSE results day is Thursday 20 August this year when you are welcome to come into school to collect your results as follows:

Surnames with initials A to L – 10am – 10.30am

Surnames with initials K to Z – 10.30am – 11am

The results will be available in the Main Hall at the stated times and it would be helpful if you could bring a pen with you as you will have to sign to say that you have received the results. Unfortunately, no one else can collect the results for you (not even a parent) – only you can receive them on the day and any results not collected will be posted second class, later that day. However, mail deliveries are currently very slow and you might not receive the results for about a week. The results will be on printed slips of paper and the full certificates will be available to collect from late November.

If you are arriving by car, please park on the lower tennis courts. If you are on foot, you should also arrive via the lower tennis courts. Everyone is asked to enter via the tennis court door to the gym, queue at least 1m apart, enter the hall, collect the results, leave immediately via the door at the side of the hall and return outside to the lower tennis courts. This will enable everyone to use a circular route and avoid bottle-necks. Due to the social distancing requirements each student can be accompanied by only one parent if desired and I am sorry that it will not be possible for you to congregate with your peers; instead you should leave site as soon as you have collected your results. In order to keep the number of people on site to a minimum, form tutors will not be present although Mr Lockett will be available should you wish to discuss your next steps e.g. college or sixth form. We have also invited the Careers Advisor, Mrs Hammond to attend and you can request a telephone call by leaving a number where you can be reached the following day.

Please try to keep to the times indicated to ensure the process runs smoothly.

The government has determined that there will be a very limited appeals system this year. If you wish to appeal a result, or require more information about the grade you have been awarded, there will be a form available for you to complete when you receive your results. We will try to respond by post and email to all requests within a couple of weeks, but unless a clerical error has been made it is unlikely that an appeal will result in a change of grade.

We are all very sad and disappointed that we will not be able to come together to celebrate your achievements on 20 August but would like to take this opportunity to wish you all the very best for the future.

Please note that, although we do not expect any changes from the above arrangements, we have to continue to react to Government advice. If there are changes, we will write to you again.

Free School Meals Vouchers

TKAT Trust has decided to continue to provide the current Free School Meal vouchers for Year 11 students after the Government has stopped funding them at the end of June, so, if you are in receipt of these vouchers, you will continue to receive the vouchers until the end of the summer holidays (31st August 2020). We hope that this will continue to provide much needed support to those students and their families.

As always, if you need any further information please contact the school in the usual way or by emailing office@kha-tkat.org

Yours faithfully

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