

BLACKWOOD COMPREHENSIVE SCHOOL
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Dear Parents and Carers

Re: Change of INSET Date

16th April 2021

I hope you all had a good Easter break. We have had an excellent start to the term, with most pupils returning with a very positive approach to learning. While we have some Year 10 and 11 pupils who are anxious about their assessments, please rest assured that we are working hard to support them and alleviate any concerns they have.

As you will be aware, GCSE qualifications will be awarded using Centre Determined Grades (CDGs) in 2021. This means that we will determine the grades awarded for each qualification. Each grade awarded by the school must be supported by evidence to demonstrate a learner's attainment within each subject area and will vary depending on the nature of each qualification. Teaching and support staff are working hard to facilitate assessments which support CDGs but, when all of the evidence has been gathered, a significant amount of time will be needed to ensure that they are an accurate and fair reflection of work carried out by pupils. With this in mind we will be moving the INSET originally planned for Monday 19th July to Monday 7th June. This INSET will then be used as additional time to support the CDG process.

Thank you for your support with this.

Take care

Yours faithfully

Jane Wilkie

Headteacher/Pennaeth



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