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Dear Parents/Carers and Year 11 students

RE: GCSE Results Day - Thursday 20th August 2020

I hope that you and your families are well. Whilst the GCSE exam season did not take place as originally planned this year, Results Day will go ahead as normal on Thursday 20th August, and we are really looking forward to welcoming back our Year 11s!

We strongly encourage students to come in and collect their results in person on the day. To ensure we give out results safely, and in keeping with social distancing requirements, we have allocated each tutor group a time to come and collect their results. Please make sure you arrive at the correct time, and enter the school through the **community entrance (through the car park next)**. Parents or family members accompanying students will be asked to wait in the car park whilst students collect their results.

Tutor	AAE	ASQ	CWA	CEL	LGG	LIL	PWM	PJS	SKN	SDS
Time	10.00	10:15	10.30	10.45	11.00	11.15	11.30	11.45	12.00	12.15

After students have collected their results from the North Playground, they will be encouraged to discuss their results with a member of Heartlands staff.

Results day can be a tough day for some students, so we will make sure that there are lots of staff around to support our Year 11s students on the day. Every student will have the opportunity to discuss their results with a member of staff and we will support all students with college/sixth form applications where necessary. Our Careers Advisor will also be at school, based in the Library, to provide more specialist support on Thursday 20th August and Friday 21st August.

It is important to remember that no matter what the outcome is on Results Day, everyone will have options for Post 16. We are so proud of every single one of our Year 11 students, and look forward to welcoming everyone back for their results.

On the day we will also have an area for students to donate revision guides, Heartlands uniform items and school bags. If you have spare items that are in good condition, please bring them along on the day.

Please read on for the answers to some 'frequently asked questions' around Results Day. If you have any queries about the day or the process, please contact me at pip.bower@heartlands.sch.uk

Yours sincerely,

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Deputy Headteacher

Results Day - Frequently Asked Questions

I will not be able to attend school on Results day - how can I get my results?	We strongly advise that students come into school and collect their results in person. However, we recognise that these are exceptional times. If you know that you will not be able to collect your results on Thursday 20th August, please complete this form, and we will send your results to your school email address from 2pm on 20th August.
What shall I bring with me on results day?	A fully charged mobile phone, a pen and a notepad. You may want to get in touch with family or friends, or need to call colleges and sixth forms about places.
I didn't get a grade 4 in Maths and English that I needed to start my course	The first thing to do if you haven't passed Maths or English with a grade 4 or above is to speak to the staff at the school or college that you are planning to attend or to the training provider for your apprenticeship.

	<p>Some sixth forms will allow you to start A levels and retake either English or Maths alongside your other qualifications. However, many sixth forms require you to have at least a grade 4 in English and Maths before you start. If you choose to, you can usually resit Maths and English in November - ask your teachers about this.</p> <p>Schools and colleges offer classes to prepare students to retake these GCSEs as it is a government requirement that you keep studying these subjects until you are 18 or achieve a grade 4 in them.</p>
What if I don't get the grades I need?	<p>Don't worry. It might be that you haven't quite met your criteria for your conditional offer. The best thing to do is to call your college/sixth form and tell them your results and see if they will accept you. Don't automatically assume that if you don't get the exact grades they were asking for, you won't get in.</p> <p>If you need to make a different plan, there will be lots of staff on hand in the Library to go through your options with you. We will also be in school on Friday 21st August from 10am - 1pm, so you can take the day to think about your options and come back to speak with us then.</p>
Do I have to open my results at school?	<p>We would really like you to open your results at school, so then we can support you with your next steps. However, we know it can be a bit overwhelming, so we will make sure there are private, quiet spaces for you to open your results away from others if you need.</p>
I got the results I need - what next?	<p>Your chosen college or sixth form should have let you know how to confirm your place, and this is usually done via email. Make sure you have read all of your emails carefully, so you know exactly what you need to do to confirm your place.</p>
Can I resit my exams?	<p>Information about resits will be available on Results Day, and there will be lots of staff on hand to talk you through your options.</p>