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Dear Students/Parents/Carers,

Yesterday OFQUAL released the contingency guidance for Summer 2022 examinations. Below is the link to an open letter that they have written to students which outlines their plans:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/open-letters-arrangements-for-gcses-as-and-a-levels-in-2022/letter-to-students>

The intention is that examinations will take place during Summer 2022. The examination period has been extended until 28 June 2022 (with a contingency day on 29 June 2022) so that there are gaps between the different papers sat in each subject. This will allow the exam boards to use the outcomes from any papers sat to produce a final outcome for students even if they miss a paper due to illness.

The contingency plan states that if examinations are cancelled for Summer 2022, then a TAG (Teacher Assessed Grade) process will be used. This system was used last year to determine student grades. A link to the Centre Policy followed last year to determine TAGs can be found here - [Centre Policy](#).

This means that key assessments completed in school, including the upcoming mocks, will be stored and could be used as evidence if we need to produce TAGs. It is, therefore, vital that all major assessments are taken seriously and that we are informed about any special circumstances, with evidence, that we might need to consider if we need to use the outcomes of these internal assessments to determine TAGs. We would require this information just before or during any major assessment period and we will write to you again with more information about how you can do this.

We will continue to keep you informed about Summer 2022 and will provide support so that students can achieve the best possible outcomes.

Kind regards

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