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Dear parent/carers

Year 11 Arrangements for GCSEs 2022

I am writing to inform you that all GCSE examinations and other formal assessments e.g. BTECs will return to normal in the summer of 2022. This means that all examinations will be set, marked and graded by examiners, with every student taking the same assessments at the same time, in the same way.

[Link to our Exam Timetable here](#)

Please look carefully at the exam timetable as it is essential that your child does not miss their examination for any reason other than genuine illness. **It is the students' responsibility to check both the date and time of their exams.** It costs around £35 to enter students per subject. Should a student miss an exam for reasons other than illness, we will ask you to pay the costs of that particular exam.

In the case of illness please: Ring the school immediately on 01744 678123 and leave a message on the student absence line or ask to speak to the Exams Officer or myself. Please obtain a medical certificate and send this to the school as soon as possible. Exam boards may award a grade, even if part of an exam is missed, providing a medical certificate is supplied.

Ofqual and the DfE have recognised that students in the Year 11 cohort have had their education disrupted, and that exams and assessments taken in summer 2022 should be adjusted to take this into account.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/proposed-changes-to-the-assessment-of-gcse-as-and-a-levels-in-2022/outcome/decisions-proposed-changes-to-the-assessment-of-gcse-as-and-a-levels-in-2022>

Curriculum Leaders and class teachers will be informing students of the adjustments over the coming weeks.

I am confident that if we continue to work together, your child will achieve the grades they deserve in their GCSEs and formal assessments. If you have any queries or concerns regarding the arrangements for GCSEs, please contact me at school.

Yours faithfully

Miss J Grimes
Deputy Headteacher

