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Dear Parent

EXAMINATIONS 2024

I am writing to remind you of the most important recent policy decisions provided by the DfE, Ofqual and JCQ for examinations in 2024. These are:

- **Guidance of collection evidence of student performance** - it is expected that examinations and formal assessments will go ahead as planned. However, schools will collect assessment evidence to determine grades only in the unlikely situation that examinations and formal assessment could not go ahead, i.e. Pre-Public Examinations. In exceptional circumstances, it might be necessary for assessments that were not taken in line with this guidance to be used as evidence to inform a grade should exams not go ahead as planned. This could be, for example, where a student misses the planned assessments because of serious illness.
- **Additional support materials for GCSE examinations in 2024** – subject to a consultation ending on 30 November, students are to be provided with enhanced formulae and equation sheets to support them in Mathematics, Physics, and Combined Science GCSEs.
- **Grading of examinations** – the two-year transition to pre-pandemic grading is now complete. Normal grading arrangements will continue for GCSEs, AS, A Levels and Vocational and Technical Qualifications (such as Pearson's BTEC Nationals and OCR's Cambridge Technicals) in 2024.

More information about this can be found by using the link below:

[Ofqual Student Guide 2024](#)

In the meantime, if you have any questions, please feel free to contact me or Mrs Harrison-Forsyth (Sixth Form).

Yours sincerely

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