



Hall Green School An Academy

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Dear Year 11 pupil (and parents/carers)

GCSE Results Day - Thursday 12th August

As you know, results day is this Thursday for pupils who took GCSE and vocational qualifications this summer. Our plan is to issue you with your results outside in the school carpark by the PD block, however, if the weather is against us, we will issue results in the school canteen.

To avoid lengthy queues, pupils (whether they are in Year 10 or Year 11) are invited into school in the following order:

9.30 am - Isengard

9.50 am - Lorien

10.10 am - Rivendell

10.30 am - Shire

If you do not collect your results from School on Thursday morning, we will email them to you after the last pupils have left the school site. If a significant number of pupils need results emailing to them, this may take some time, so please be patient!

Finally, as a reminder, all of the documents relating to the awarding of GCSE grades in 2021 are on the school website should you wish to read them.

Appeals

In any given year, some pupils decide to appeal one or more of the results they get in their GCSEs, and there is a new appeals process for 2021 to reflect the different way that GCSEs have been awarded this year. If you want to appeal a result, you should download the JCQ form that is on the front page of the school website, and complete the relevant sections. This will then need to be emailed to appeals2021@hallgreen.bham.sch.uk by **Friday 3rd September**. This first appeal will be a request for the school to conduct a Centre Review and check that we awarded you the grade we intended and that we followed our own internal policies. Please be aware that we check and double check all of the grades we send to exam boards, and it is very unlikely we have made a mistake. If you do decide to ask for a Centre

Review, we will write to let you know whether we have awarded you the grade we intended to, and at this point, you will have three choices:

- (1) Accept your grade
- (2) Accept your grade and re-sit your GCSE in the Autumn series (in November and December)
- (3) Ask the school to make an appeal to the exam board on your behalf

If you choose option 3 and ask the school to appeal to the exam board on your behalf, we will need to be informed by **Friday 10th September** by email to the appeals2021@hallgreen.bham.sch.uk email address.

We will then send all of the evidence that we have used to determine your grade to the exam board by Friday 17th September. However, it is important to note that as we have followed all of the required processes with the utmost precision when making all grading decisions, the exam board is unlikely to disagree unless it appears that we have not applied 'a reasonable exercise of academic judgement' when awarding your grade. That is to say, they would need to identify a 'clear mismatch' between the level of the evidence that we have used to determine your grade, and the grade awarded. (Please note that the evidence used in each subject was listed on the covering sheets signed by pupils.) It is also important to note that your grade could go down as well as up, so if you have already got the grades for college, there would be a risk of losing your place if a grade that you appealed was subsequently lowered by the awarding exam board.

I have already shared our Centre Policy with pupils and parents and you may find it helpful in understanding our processes in determining GCSE grades this summer. The Centre Policy is also on the front page of the school website.

Best wishes and good luck on Thursday.



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