

Year 11 Results Day, Thursday 12th August

Dear Parents and Carers

We are writing to you today with details of the forthcoming Results Day which will take place on Thursday 12th August. Whilst the manner of the event is designed to reflect current health concerns and the need to continue to take sensible precautions, we feel strongly that students coming onto the site, to collect their results, is an important rite of passage. This is especially true with Wellington Year Group who have missed out on so many of the normal school routines. We hope that the following plan finds the correct balance between recognising health concerns, whilst providing our youngsters with a memorable experience.

Students are asked to arrive to collect their results at the following times:

11A1	8.45am
11A2	9.00am
11A3	9.15am
11A4	9.30am
11A5	9.45am
11A6	10.00am
11B1	10.15am
11B2	10.30am
11B3	10.45am
11B4	11.00am
11B5	11.15am

Students will enter via the Main Gate (pedestrian side) and use the hand sanitizer stationed there. The bike pound on the right-hand side will be available to those who have cycled. Students will then make their way across the main concourse towards the Drama Centre. Students will collect results from outside the Drama Centre if the weather allows, or inside the Drama Centre if the weather is poor. Students will exit via the main concourse and the opposite pedestrian gate. At the time of writing face masks are a requirement in our school setting so we would ask that students bring a mask on results day, given that we may have large numbers of people in fairly close quarters.

Due to limits placed on the numbers of students and adults allowed on site, parents will not be invited to accompany their children onto the premises. We apologise for this and hope that you understand our reasons.

You will know from previous communications that the process of Centre Assessed Grades has been challenging for schools and we ask for your support as we negotiate another results day in this format. The grades originally made by your child's teachers have been subject to moderation at department level and moderation at school level. This means that the final exam board grade, in some cases, will be different from the teacher's original grade and it is for this reason that we ask our students not to request, from any member of staff, information surrounding a teacher's original grade. Ofqual have been clear that teachers are not to supply this information, even if asked informally. We completely understand that there may be legitimate questions and concerns and we ask that parents and students, in the first instance, refer to the guidance contained in the results envelopes.

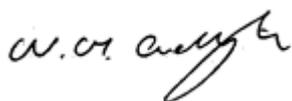
We sincerely hope that your child feels that their results are an accurate reflection of the grades they would have achieved had the exams gone ahead as normal. Furthermore, we hope that their grades permit them to access the next level of their education at local college and sixth form providers. We wish them all the very best. Can we take this opportunity to remind students that it is not too late and never too early, to be making plans for September. There is no limit on the number of post-16 places a student can apply for. We would encourage students and parents to consider making more than one application, so that every student has a couple of options available to them come results day. The Sixth Form at Bay House is still taking applications, we would encourage students who are interested to visit the Sixth Form section of the Bay House website, found [here](#).

For students who are interested in Vocational routes post-16, The GFM is excited to have expanded the range of post 16 vocational qualifications for 2021/22. The 'Extended-Diploma' programme will be open for applications until September. We encourage students who are thinking about a different way of study to take a look at the web page found [here](#). We are proud to be delivering these qualifications with sector specific partner organisations.

We would like to finish by thanking you for the support you have shown to the students and the School over the last five years. The last 18 months have been particularly challenging and we recognise the patience and understanding that you have shown.

Wishing you all a very enjoyable summer.

Yours sincerely



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