

To: Parents/Carers of Year 11 Students

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Dear Parent/Carers

RE: Year 11

I am writing to you regarding the evidence that will be used to form the basis for GCSE and equivalent grades this year.

Schools will use a broad range of evidence. This will include work completed in class, topic tests and mock exams. This evidence informed the data collection points in November and March that you were given in the form of a school report.

In addition to the evidence outlined above, the majority of subjects are giving students the opportunity to demonstrate their learning through a series of in-class assessments. The topics for these are outlined in the attached document.

Non-examined assessment (often referred to as coursework) will be used as evidence in the following subjects:

Art	Child Development	Computer Science
Design & Technology	Digital IT BTEC	Drama
Engineering	Food	Music
PE – Cambridge National Sport	PE - GCSE	Photography

In most cases, the range of evidence that is used to inform your grade will be consistent across all students for each qualification. However, it may be that a different range of evidence may be more appropriate to fairly inform your grade if, for example, you have missed significantly more teaching than others in a certain subject. If you have any concerns about any of the evidence being used (for example, if the assessment evidence was affected by personal circumstances, such as illness), please raise them with the school by completing this form: <https://forms.office.com/r/Pkr0LjXeRx>.

Please be aware that the JCQ guidance states: "Your teacher will make the final judgement about what evidence is to be included - this is not a negotiation. Your teachers will not be able to tell you the grade they have submitted to the exam board."

For further information on any aspect of the assessment processes in place for summer 2021, please refer to the Ofqual Student guide to awarding summer 2021, a copy of which is attached. You can also contact your child's Head of House.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank students for the hard work and commitment they have shown during this difficult time.

Yours faithfully



Barry Gray
Deputy Headteacher