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Year 11 Results Day 2020

Dear Year 11 students, parents and carers,

I am sure you are waiting with great anticipation for results day, which takes place on 20th August 2020. We are looking forward to seeing you. To make sure that everything runs smoothly on the day, please find below information, further to the information we have previously sent.

Collecting your results

We have put in place some measures to keep everyone safe. It is important that all students, parents and carers adhere to these measures.

- No-one should attend if they have any of the symptoms associated with COVID-19 (a new continuous cough, a high temperature or a change in sense of smell or taste), or if they have been required to household isolate or quarantine.
- To enable social distancing it is very important that students arrive at the allocated collection time.

Collection Time	Surname
10:00	A – B
10:30	C – F
11:00	G –K
11:30	L – O
12:00	P – S
12:30	T – W

- In line with government guidance, we ask parents to wait away from the entrance to the school, either in their car or at the top of the walkway.
- Students will line up outside the main entrance. There are markings to help students to maintain safe distances from each other.
- As they approach the main entrance, students will find hand sanitiser, which they should use before collecting their results.
- Results will be distributed from the entrance area in front of the main reception.
- Students should maintain a 2 metre distance from each other and from members of staff.
- When travelling to school, students should make sure that they follow current guidance and that they adhere to social distancing.

If you are unable to collect your results in person, you may:

- Ask a family member to collect your results on your behalf. You must give the person collecting a signed letter of authorisation to bring in to school with them on the day.
- Ask for your results to be posted to you.
- Ask for your results to be emailed to your school email address

Unfortunately, results cannot be given out by telephone under any circumstances.

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Your Grades

Your results this year are either your 'Centre Assessed grade' or your 'Calculated grade' whichever is the higher of the two.

To produce 'Centre Assessed' grades, a range of evidence was considered by teachers, like classwork and homework; results in assignments and any mock examinations; any non-exam assessment or coursework which you produced; and your general progress during each course. These were reviewed by Heads of Department and the Senior Leadership Team.

To produce 'Calculated' grades, exam boards have used 'Centre Assessed' grades and a statistical standardisation algorithm. You can find more information about how your 'calculated grades' have been produced here.

What should you do if you believe the grade you receive does not reflect your ability or expected result?

We sincerely hope that you will have a positive experience on results day and will receive the results which reflect the hard work and effort you've put into the last two years!

If you are concerned about your results and wish to discuss this further, please contact our exams officer, Mrs Whyke DWhyke@holytrinitybarnsley.org. You can find more information about appeals and complaints here. The deadline for schools to submit a request for a review for GCSE is 17 September 2020.

If you are not happy with a subject result, can you take the exam?

If you wish to take any exams in the autumn term, to try to improve your grade, we will enter you for it and arrange for you to take the exam. Please notify us as soon as possible should you wish for us to submit any entries for you.

GCSE exams will begin on Monday 2 November and finish on Monday 23 November. The entry deadline for students wishing to take GCSE exams in the autumn is 18 September, except in the case of English language and maths where the deadline is 4 October.

The exam boards will confirm results days for the autumn series shortly but are working towards GCSE results early in 2021.

Is there any other help available?

There will be staff available to talk to you on results day and you can contact school by email. In the first instance you should contact Mrs Whyke; dwhyke@holytrinitybarnsley.org.

A helpline will be in place for you, should you need it. It has been arranged by 'I Know I Can', Barnsley Council's young people service, with collaboration from schools. It will be staffed by experts from the 'Targeted Information, Advice and Guidance Service (TIAG)', who will be on hand to advise on educational and vocational options. If you wish to contact the helpline call **01226 77 54 00**. The phone lines will be open from **10am to 7pm from Thursday 20th August to Wednesday 26th August.**

The National Careers Service has also set up an exam results helpline during August 2020. Young people or their parents can contact the helpline on 0800 100 900 to speak to a professionally qualified careers adviser if they need advice on their next steps. The helpline will be open from 8am to 10pm until Friday 28 August.

After these dates, you will be able to access ongoing support from the National Careers Service at any time by calling 0800 100 900, visiting <u>nationalcareers.service.gov.uk/contact-us</u> or searching for the National Careers Service on Facebook and Twitter. You can also contact Ofqual directly on 0300 303 3344, or by email at <u>public.enquiries@ofqual.gov.uk</u>.

Yours faithfully,

A Dickson Headteacher