



The Sutton Academy

Together Students Achieve

Principal: Mr Paul Willerton

Dear Parent/Carer

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The academy has written previously to keep parents of students in Year 11 and Year 13 fully informed about how grades will be calculated this academic year. As you will be aware, the deadline for the academy to enter student grades is Friday 18 June. The academy will use a range of evidence to support the grades including the up and coming May assessments, results from mock exams, coursework and a range of other assessments the students have undertaken at home and at the academy over the last two years. The Sutton Academy Centre Policy for Awarding Teacher Assessed Grades - Summer 2021, gives full details of how the grades will be calculated and can be viewed on the academy website by following this [LINK](#)

Once the grades have been entered with the relevant exam boards, the Joint Council for Qualifications (JCQ) and Ofqual will undertake the moderation nationally of all the grades entered. Students in Year 13 will then receive their results on Tuesday 10 August and students in Year 11 will receive their grades on Thursday 12 August. **It is very clear in the guidance that the academy and its staff cannot release any grades until that point. Staff will not be able to reveal the result of the May assessments or the Teacher Assessed Grade until results day.**

Nationally the results days for these year groups have been moved forward to allow students to appeal any grade where they feel there has been an error. The final page of the policy and the following [LINK](#) gives details of how the appeal process will work. Please take the time to read this process so that you and your child fully understand how it would work.

The government have recently released guidance which states there will be no change to the legal expectation that students in Year 11 and Year 13 stay on roll with their school until Friday 25 June. The guidance does give the academy the freedom to create a worthwhile, bespoke timetable which may involve some online / home learning. The focus will be around preparation for next steps.

Below is a timeline for the two year groups.

Year 11

Week beginning 10 May and 17 May - Assessment weeks
Week beginning 24 May - Final opportunity for in class evidence to inform Teacher Assessed Grades
Week beginning 31 May - Half Term
From 7 June to 25 June - Enhancement timetable

The Enhancement timetable will involve CV building, A-Level taster lessons and other activities to prepare students for Post 16. The delivery will be a mixture of online and face-to-face delivery. Further details will be released shortly.

Year 13

Week beginning 10 May and 17 May - Assessment weeks
Week beginning 24 May - Final opportunity for in class evidence to inform Teacher Assessed Grades
Week beginning 31 May - Half Term
From 7 June to 11 June - A range of optional sessions looking at student finance, CV's and preparation for next year. Further details will be released shortly.



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I do understand the anxiety that the changes to exams may have caused, but we are confident that students will have a range of evidence available to teachers to ensure they get the grades they deserve.

If you have any concerns at all, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours faithfully

Mr P Willerton
Principal

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