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Rachel Hutchinson  
**Principal**

Dear Students, Parents and Carers

## **Re: Summer Grading Update - Evidence Used to Determine GCSE Grades**

In line with JCQ guidance, we are writing to inform you of the evidence that is to be used to determine your child's grades this summer.

Below is a list of the evidence being used for each GCSE Level subject and its associated weighting.

This evidence will form the basis of the judgement by our teachers and will be subject to internal standardisation and quality assurance before the final grade is submitted to the examination board by 18 June 2021. As set out in the guidance from the government and JCQ, all final grades will represent a holistic, objective judgement based on evidence of each student's performance on a range of evidence relating to the qualification's specification content that they have been taught.

As directed by JCQ, all evidence being used will be used consistently across the class or cohort wherever possible; however, there may be some cases where, due to individual circumstances and special consideration, the list of evidence may differ from the one attached.

Please note that our 'vocational' subjects are not listed below as the guidance being applied for these subjects is different across each qualification and represents the fact that the course is predominantly coursework based. Further information can be found on the JCQ website [here](#).

I can confirm that reasonable adjustments, access arrangements and adverse circumstances will all be considered as part of the grading process.

For your information, a copy of our approved Centre Policy for determining Teacher Assessed Grades for A/AS Levels and GCSEs this summer can be found on our College website [here](#).

Thank you for your on-going support.

Yours faithfully

Heather Lilley  
**Deputy Principal**

<b>Subject</b>	<b>Evidence Used</b>	<b>Weighting</b>
<b>GCSE Art</b>	Component 1	100%
<b>GCSE Biology</b>	Year 10 Tests	15%
	November Mock	25%
	Assessment 1	20%
	Assessment 2	20%
	Assessment 3	20%

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<b>GCSE Business Studies</b>	Examination Practice Assessment 1	10%
	November Mock	30%
	Theme 1 Short answer questions	20%
	Theme 1 Contextual questions	20%
	Theme 1 Long answer questions	20%
<b>GCSE Chemistry</b>	Year 10 Tests	15%
	November Mock	25%
	Assessment 1	20%
	Assessment 2	20%
	Assessment 3	20%
<b>GCSE Combined Science</b>	Year 10 Tests	15%
	November Mock	25%
	Biology Assessments 1 and 2	20%
	Chemistry Assessments 1 and 2	20%
	Physics Assessments 1 and 2	20%
<b>GCSE Computer Science</b>	November Mock	20%
	In class test scores	20%
	Assessment 1	20%
	Assessment 2	20%
	Assessment 3	20%
<b>GCSE Dance</b>	Component 1: Practical	60%
	Component 2: Theory (3 x Assessments Section A, B, C)	40%
<b>GCSE Design Technology</b>	November Mock	20%
	NEA	50%
	Assessment 1	10%
	Assessment 2	10%
	Assessment 3	10%
<b>GCSE Drama</b>	Component 1	40%
	Component 2	20%
	Component 3	40%

<b>Subject</b>	<b>Evidence Used</b>	<b>Weighting</b>
<b>GCSE Economics</b>	Examination Practice Assessment 1	10%
	November Mock	30%
	Unit 1 Micro MCQ	20%
	Assessment 1 - Unit 1 Micro Contextual Long answer	20%
	Assessment 2 - Unit 1 Micro Contextual Long answer	20%
<b>GCSE English Language</b>	November Mock Paper 1	20%
	November Mock Paper 2	20%
	Assessment 1 - Paper 2 Section B: Writing	20%
	Assessment 2 - Paper 2 Section A Q4: Reading	20%
	Assessment 3 - Paper 1 Section A Qs 1 - 3: Reading	20%
<b>GCSE English Literature</b>	Assessment 1 - Paper 1 Section A - Macbeth	40%
	Assessment 2 - Paper 2 Section C (i) - Unseen Poetry	20%
	Assessment 3 - Paper 2 - Section A – An Inspector Calls	40%
<b>GCSE Food and Nutrition</b>	November Mock	20%
	NEA	50%
	Assessment 1	10%
	Assessment 2	10%
	Assessment 3	10%
<b>GCSE French</b>	Mock Writing Paper	10%
	Mock Listening Paper	10%
	Mock Reading Paper	10%
	Reading Assessment	20%
	Listening assessment	20%
	Writing Assessment	20%
	Open book writing task	10%
<b>GCSE Geography</b>	November Mock	35%
	In class Assessment – Living World	14%
	Formal Assessment – CEW	17%
	Formal Assessment – Urban Issues	18%
	Formal Assessment – Hazards	16%

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<b>GCSE History</b>	People's Health assessment	10%
	November Mock	30%
	Norman Conquest mini assessment	20%
	Making of America mini assessment	20%
	People's Health mini assessment	20%
<b>GCSE Mathematics</b>	AP1 Test	17%
	November Mocks	17%
	Assessment 1 - non calculator (Number, Geometry, Statistics)	22%
	Assessment 2 - calculator (Algebra, Ratio)	22%
	Assessment 3 - calculator (all topics)	22%
<b>GCSE Media Studies</b>	November Mock	20%
	NEA	30%
	Katy Perry question	12.5%
	Media Language Assessment	12.5%
	Media Industries Assessment	12.5%
	Media Representation Assessment	12.5%
<b>GCSE Music</b>	Solo performance	30%
	Free composition	30%
	Assessment 1	15%
	Assessment 2	15%
	Assessment 3	10%
<b>GCSE PE</b>	November Mock	30%
	NEA Coursework/Practical	40%
	Formal Assessment	30%
<b>GCSE Photography</b>	Component 1 - portfolio	100%
<b>GCSE Physics</b>	Year 10 Tests	15%
	November Mock	25%
	Assessment 1	20%
	Assessment 2	20%
	Assessment 3	20%

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<b>GCSE RE</b>	November Mock Hindu Beliefs	12.5%
	November Mock Hindu Practices	12.5%
	November Mock Religion and Life	12.5%
	November Mock Peace and Conflict	12.5%
	Assessment 1 Christian Beliefs	16.7%
	Assessment 2 Crime and Punishment	16.7%
	Assessment 3 Religion and Life	16.7%
<b>GCSE Sociology</b>	November Mock Section A	20%
	November Mock Section B	20%
	Assessment 1	20%
	Assessment 2	20%
	Assessment 3	20%
<b>GCSE Spanish</b>	November Mock Writing Paper	10%
	November Mock Listening Paper	10%
	November Mock Reading Paper	10%
	Reading Assessment	20%
	Listening Assessment	20%
	Writing Assessment	20%
	Open Book Writing task	10%
<b>GCSE Textiles</b>	Component 1 - portfolio	100%