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Dear Parents/Carers,

Yesterday OfQUAL confirmed that summer exams for GCSEs and A levels will be taking place in 2022. Ofqual and the Department for Education have stated that they recognise the difficulties students may have faced during the pandemic and have outlined the changes they have made to this year's examination arrangements to help students.

At GCSE

- There will be less content or fewer topics for students to learn in some GCSEs.
- In some GCSE exams there will be a choice of topics on which students must answer questions.
- Students will have access to advanced information will help them focus their revision.
- Exam boards will also provide a formulae sheet and an updated equation sheet that students will have in their GCSE Maths, Physics and Combined Science exams.
- Non-exam assessment and fieldwork requirements have been adjusted, with flexibility in some subjects.
- Examiners will build in generosity for students when setting grade boundaries

At A level

- Information on some of the exam content has been provided to help students focus their revision.
- Requirements for the assessment of practical activities in some A levels have been relaxed.
- Examiners will build in generosity for students when setting grade boundaries







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Some of this information has been shared with us previously and much of it was already in the public domain.

Further details can be found at:

Subject-by-subject support for GCSE, AS and A level students in 2022 - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)

We will write to you and all students by the end of this week to share all the subject specific guidance relevant to the different examination boards.

If you do have any questions before then, please contact me through the school office.

Yours faithfully,

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Headteacher



