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Dear Parent/Carer,

Summer 2022 Exams – Contingency Day

For the summer 2022 exams we need to bring to your attention some important information.

During this term (Term 4) students will be sent individualised timetables that will highlight when their final exam will take place. The summer exams run from early May, with Art and language speaking exams taking place first of all, and with formal written exams following throughout May and into June.

A **contingency exam day** has been arranged by the exam boards and added to each student's timetable. The contingency day has been arranged for GCSE examinations, should sustained National or local disruption arise during the summer examination series.

Following the tragic events of the Manchester attacks and the Grenfell Tower fire, the Joint Council for Qualifications put in place an option to postpone an exam/exams, in the event of an incident or disruption, and rearrange for a later date to allow all students a fair and equal chance.


The date that has been set aside as the contingency day for 2022 is **29th June 2022**. This means that all exam candidates must be available to sit exams from the start of the exams in May through to and including 29th June 2022. This decision is not a school decision and applies to all candidates in all schools.

Please can all parents and carers make a note of this reserve exam date. It will be common and completely understandable for families to want to book holidays in June and July for Year 11 students, as prices are often lower when they have finished their exams. However, it will be devastating for a student to miss out on a good grade after working hard for two years because they might be absent from a rearranged final exam/s.

Yours Sincerely,



Jonathan Templeton
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Exams Officer