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Dear Parents and Carers

Re: Summer Examinations 2022 - Advanced Information

All GCSE and A-level examinations that are occurring this summer have recently released advanced information. The aim is to help focus your child's revision on the topics that will attract the largest credit on the examination papers.

As each subject has published this information in different formats and locations on the internet, please find enclosed a helpful document summarising the changes to the qualifications that will be examined this summer; it is important to note that many of the exam boards have stated that the topics **not** listed may still appear in low tariff questions or via 'linked' questions. Linked questions are those that bring together knowledge, skills and understanding from across the specification.

It is therefore recommended that students use the advanced information to prioritise their preparation but should ensure they do not disregard any part of the subject specification.

Also enclosed is a copy of the JCQ "Frequently Asked Questions (for students) Advanced Information for General Qualifications", which may answer any further questions you or your child may have regarding the information.

Grading

When grading exams in 2022, Ofqual will aim for a grading standard that reflects a midway point between 2021 and 2019. This means that exam boards will set the grade boundaries so that more students get higher grades in 2022 than before the pandemic. This will provide a safety net for those students who might otherwise just miss out on a higher grade. Ofqual have taken this decision to reflect the disruption that the cohort have experienced.

Yours sincerely

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