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Our Ref: TNS/MK/GCSE Results – Summer 2020

3<sup>rd</sup> August 2020

Dear Student,

### Re: GCSE Results - Summer 2020

I am writing with details of the summer results days and the support available to students at this time. Please read, and if necessary, act upon the information provided in this letter.

#### How are your results being calculated?

As you know, this year schools were asked to provide exam boards with evidence based information, in effect predicting what we think you would have achieved if you had sat your examinations. We spent a lot of time, in school, ensuring we sent the most optimistic grades possible based on the evidence we had.

Exam boards will use statistical models, developed by Ofqual (the exam board regulator), taking into account historical data and the UK national picture, as well as the data from us, to issue final grades. This is important as it makes the process as fair as it can be for everyone, by ensuring the same grading standards are applied for all schools and that grades remain comparable from one year to the next. If grading judgements in some schools appear to be more generous or severe than others, individual grades may be adjusted up or down to reflect that, here is an [infographic](#) to help explain the process.

Ofqual has confirmed that these results will carry the same weight as in other years and should be treated the same by employers, colleges and universities.

#### When will you find out your results?

Cambridge iGCSE results are available from **07:00 on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> August 2020** through the exam board online portal, details on how to use this have been emailed out to each student. Please contact school if you have not received this.

If you have any concerns or queries regarding your iGCSE results staff will be available from the 20<sup>th</sup> August to provide help and support.

All other GCSE results are released at **09:00 on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> August 2020**. These are not accessible online and so will be printed for collection from upper site main hall.

In addition we will email each student a summary of all their exam results on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> August 2020.

This will go to their @online.sch.im account.

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Please note students will only be able to collect their own results. If you are unable to collect your results in person you may authorise someone else to collect them on your behalf. This authorisation must be in writing. Please note your results will NOT be supplied by telephone or email address that is not your school allocated email account.

### **What is you have a concern about your results?**

If you have a concern about your result, you should speak to a senior member of staff, or exam officer on the 20<sup>th</sup> August 2020 (or as soon as possible after). Details about the appeals process can be found in our “Results and appeals process 2020” policy on our web site.

### **What support is available to you?**

Senior staff, the pastoral team, exams officers and a wide range of subject staff will be in school on the 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> August to provide support, help and guidance about your next steps. This will be particularly useful if you any concerns about your results, or your onward pathway.

Those students who have applied to our sixth form have already been contacted by the sixth form team. They have also been added to the google classroom which contains all the transition materials for every subject. A letter explaining the next steps for enrolment and acceptance onto specific course will accompany the exams results. Students requiring an interview will be seen on the 20<sup>th</sup> or 21<sup>st</sup> August.

The DESC Careers Team will be offering “Drop In” sessions throughout the summer from the week beginning 27<sup>th</sup> July 2020 until 30<sup>th</sup> August 2020. This is a great service if you want to discuss your future employment or training options. For details of when and where these sessions are please go to <https://signposts.sch.im>.

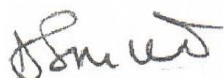
University College Isle of Man (UCM) will have representatives from all departments to offer information, advice and guidance about their courses available at UCM on the 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> August 2020 between 09:30 – 15:00.

### **When can I collect my Record of Achievement (RoA)?**

An electronic copy of your RoA statement has already been emailed to you. When you come into school for your results you will also be able to collect your RoA folder and relevant documents, along with your Year Book if you have ordered one.

We look forward to seeing you all on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> August 2020.

Yours sincerely



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