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Dear Parent/Carer,

**Headteacher:**  
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## **RE: Summer 2020 Exam Contingency Day – Wednesday 24 June 2020**

In order to help both parents and students plan for the Summer 2020 exams, we need to make you aware of some important information issued by the 'Joint Council for Qualifications' (JCQ).

During the latter part of April 2020 students sitting GCSE and A-Level examinations will be issued with personalised timetables which will include details of all formal written exams, which start mid-May and continue into June. Practical, speaking and controlled assessments / non-examination assessments for subjects such as Art and Languages will not appear on their personalised timetable. Students will be notified by their subject teachers when and where these tests will take place.

For the exams in Summer 2020, the Awarding Bodies and the JCQ have arranged a contingency day for GCSE and GCE examinations, should sustained national or local disruption arise during the June 2020 examination series.

Following the tragic events of recent years, namely the Manchester attacks and the Grenfell Tower Fire, JCQ have decided that there needs to be an option whereby an exam can be postponed in the event of an incident and rearranged for a later date to allow all students a fair and equal chance.

## **Designated Contingency Day for 2020** **Wednesday 24 June 2020**

This means that all exam candidates must be available to sit exams up to, and including, Wednesday 24 June 2020, even if their timetable indicates their last exam is much earlier. **This decision is not a school decision and applies to all candidates in all schools nationwide.**

Please make a note of this important date, as should it be needed the expectation is that students will be present for the rescheduled exam(s).

The school is unable to apply to the Awarding Bodies for special considerations if a student is absent for a rescheduled exam on the designated contingency day.

If you have any queries regarding this please do not hesitate to contact the Exams Office.

Yours sincerely,

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**Examinations Manager**



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