

Evidence used for GCSE Centre Assessed Grades

It is our goal that all students leave us equipped with the knowledge and skills needed to succeed in the world of further education and/or work. Although the 2021 summer examinations were cancelled, we are still committed to ensure all our students left fully prepared for their next step in education and training. To award GCSE Centre Assessed Grades, we completed ongoing topic assessments in order to provide enough opportunities and evidence for students to be justified a worthy GCSE grade.

To ensure the process was fair and to remove any possible bias, the following measures were put in place:

- Subject departments identified areas of each GCSE course that were essential for a students' next stage as well as identifying those topics that had been taught remotely. They created a detailed plan for what will have been taught, retaught and assessed over the Spring and Summer terms and this information has been shared with students and parents/carers. Individual subject information can be found [here](#).
- Students were provided with a detailed list of the subtopics within each assessed unit, a timeline of when the topics were revised and assessed, in addition to a revision timetable which aligned the revision and in-class assessments. This information can be found [here](#).
- Exam board past paper questions and the new assessments, issued by the exam boards in March, were considered in assigning the centre assessment grades. Use of exam board materials meant that all assessments were marked according to a quality assured mark scheme.
- Students only used their candidate number rather than their name to eliminate any teacher bias.
- For internal quality assurance, moderation was completed in subject teams in school.
- For external quality assurance, moderation was completed across the Multi Academy Trust and with external markers where necessary.
- All awarded grades are 'centre' assessed meaning that no single teacher was responsible for a student's grade.

Further details regarding the process of awarding the centre assessed grades can be found in the Centre Policy [here](#).

All students will receive their final grades on 12th August 2021. We are unable to disclose the students' final grade before this as not only would this be considered malpractice, but all grades are subject to an exam board review and could change. Students have been told their raw scores (or percentage achieved) in each assessment. Please be aware that these scores do not equate to a final grade.

This overview contains vital information about each subject for your reference. It states clearly;

- All the evidence that was used by each subject to award the final centre assessed grade.
- When the assessments were taken over the course of study.
- An indication of the weighting of that particular evidence (strong, medium or less strong indicator)

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| Strong indicator | | Medium indicator | Less strong indicator |
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| Subject | | | |
| Art | NEA: Portfolio work | | |
| Business Enterprise | Assessment 1:Year 11 mock examination NEA: Component 1 NEA: Component 2 | Taken in Year 11 from Spring onwards; 4 assessments covering learning aims B and C | |
| Computing | Assessment 1:Year 11 mock examination | Taken in Year 11 from Spring onwards; Assessment 1: Hardware & Data representation Assessment 2: Networking & Logic Assessment 3: Flowcharts & Algorithms Assessment 4: Programming & Software | Year 10 end of year mock examination Taken throughout Year 10; Assessment 1: Data representation Assessment 2: programming and Algorithms Assessment 3: Computer hardware Assessment 4: Networking |
| Drama | NEA: Unit 1 NEA :Unit 2 | Taken in Year 11 from Spring onwards; Assessment 1: Section A content | |
| English Language | Assessment 1:Year 11 mock examinations | Taken in Year 11 from Spring onwards; Assessment 1:Writing: Narrative Assessment 2: Reading Exam Assessment 3:Writing: Transactional Assessment 4:Reading Exam | Taken throughout Year 10; Topic Tests Taken from Educake Speaking endorsement |
| English Literature | Assessment 1:Year 11 mock examination | Taken in Year 11 from Spring onwards; Assessment 1: Unseen Poetry Assessment 2:An Inspector Calls Assessment 3:Poetry Anthology Assessment 4:Macbeth | Taken throughout Year 10; Topic Tests Taken from Educake Taken throughout autumn and spring terms year 10 |
| French | Assessment 1:Year 11 mock examinations | Taken in Year 11 from Spring onwards; Assessment 1: Reading and listening papers | Year 10 end of year mock examination |

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| | | Assessment 2: Writing paper Mixture of 3 themes; Foundation: School, Free time and Translation and Holidays Higher: Holidays, either Technology or school life and Translation | Speaking endorsement |
| Geography | Assessment 1:Year 11 mock examination | Year 10 end of year mock examination Taken in Year 11 from Spring onwards; Assessment 1: River and glacial landscapes Assessment 2:Living World Assessment 3: Urban issues Assessment 4:The challenge of resource management and food Assessment 5: The challenge of natural Assessment 6: Changing economic world and fieldwork | |
| German | Assessment 1:Year 11 mock examinations | Taken in Year 11 from Spring onwards; Assessment 1: Reading and listening papers Assessment 2: Writing paper Mixture of 3 themes; Foundation: School, Free time and Translation and Holidays Higher: Holidays, either Technology or school life and Translation | Year 10 end of year mock examination Speaking endorsement |
| Health and Social Care | Assessment 1:Year 11 mock examination NEA: Component 1 Component 2 CAG awarded September 2020 by Pearson | Year 10 end of year mock examination Taken in Year 11 from Spring onwards; Assessment 1: x1 2hr exam from June 2019 Assessment 2: x1 2hr exam from February 2020 | |
| History | Assessment 1:Year 11 mock examinations | Taken in Year 11 from Spring onwards; Assessment 1: America Assessment 2:Germany Assessment 3:People's health Assessment 4: Noman invasion | |
| Hospitality and Catering | Unit 1 CAG awarded September 2020 by Pearson NEA: Unit 2 | | |
| I Media | Assessment 1:Year 11 mock examinations | Taken in Year 11 from Spring onwards; | |

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| | NEA: Unit R082 NEA: Unit R087 NEA: Unit R089 | Assessment 1: Pre-production methods Assessment 2: Filming, Editing and Evaluation | |
| Maths | Assessment 1:Year 11 mock examinations | Taken in Year 11 from Spring onwards; Assessment 1: Calculator Assessment 2 and 3: Non calculator | Year 10 end of year mock examination |
| Music | Assessment 1:Year 11 mock examination NEA: Solo performance NEA: Free composition | Taken in Year 11 from Spring onwards; Assessment 1: Based upon AOS2 & 5. Assessment 2: Based upon AOS2 4 & 5. | |
| PE | Assessment 1:Year 11 mock examinations NEA:Analysing and Evaluating NEA: Observed in 2 practical sports | Taken in Year 11 from Spring onwards; Assessment 1: Paper 1 from May 2019 Assessment 2: Paper 2 from May 2019 Assessment 3: Paper 1 from November 2020 Assessment 4: Paper 2 from November 2020 | |
| Sport | NEA: Component 1 NEA: Component 3 NEA: Component 2 CAG awarded in September 2020 by Pearson | | |
| Product Design | Assessment 1:Year 11 mock examination NEA: Contextual Challenge | Taken in Year 11 from Spring onwards; Assessment 1: New technology, Systems and Environment Assessment 2: Materials Assessment 3:Manufacturing Processes Assessment 4:Design | |
| RE | Assessment 1:Year 11 mock examinations | Taken in Year 11 from Spring onwards; Assessment 1: Theme B Assessment 2: Theme D Assessment 3:Buddhism Beliefs Assessment 4: Sikhism Beliefs Assessment 5:Theme E Assessment 6:Theme F | |

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| Science Biology | Assessment 1:Year 11 mock examination | Taken in Year 11 from Spring onwards; Assessment 1:Bioenergetics Assessment 2:Cell Biology and Immunity Assessment 3:Organisation and homeostasis | Year 10 end of year mock examination |
| Science Chemistry | Assessment 1:Year 11 mock examination | Taken in Year 11 from Spring onwards; Assessment 1: Organic chemistry and resources Assessment 2:Atomic theory and periodic table Assessment 3:Quantitative chemistry and chemical changes Assessment 4: Energy changes and rates of reaction | Year 10 end of year mock examination |
| Science Physics | Assessment 1:Year 11 mock examination | Taken in Year 11 from Spring onwards; Assessment 1: Particle model of matter Assessment 2:Energy Assessment 3:Magnetism & electromagnetism | Year 10 end of year mock examination |
| Textiles | Assessment 1:Year 11 mock examination NEA :Safety on the Coast | Taken in Year 11 from Spring onwards; Assessment 1: Textiles knowledge assessment Assessment 2:Core DT knowledge | Year 10 end of year mock examination |