



Kingsmead School



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A Level Exam Results Arrangements: Summer 2021

Dear Parent/Carer,

We are now able to inform you of the arrangements for the A-Level and BTEC results day, which is Tuesday, 10th August .

Awarding A-Level & BTEC grades in Summer 2021

As you will recall from our letters earlier this year, the Summer 2021 examinations were cancelled and the Department for Education (DfE) and the exams regulator (Ofqual) then consulted on how grades should be awarded this year.

Their decision was that students would be awarded grades by their teachers - teacher assessed grades (or TAGs). Schools were told by the Government that the TAGs could not be predictions – or the grades that teachers think your child could have achieved. Instead, the TAGs had to be a holistic professional judgement, balancing different sources of evidence, which accurately reflected your child's current level of work up to May. The standard evidence used by teachers for each qualification is listed on the school website ([here](#)).

Results Day Arrangements

We want to celebrate your child's success with them, so students will be able to collect their statement of results from school. However, we are also mindful of dangers that COVID-19 poses to large gatherings.

Because of this, we have taken the decision to stagger the collection of results. Your child will receive an invitation to collect their results on results day, at a specific time. Your child is asked to collect their results at this time and celebrate their success with their teachers and fellow classmates. An invitation letter will follow in due course.

Your child should collect their results from the school's Main Hall. We will have a one-way system in place, so they should enter via the door next to Reception. Your child will then be guided through to the Main Hall to collect their results. Once they have done this, they can return to the car park via the hall's emergency exit.

For the safety of all concerned, we have taken the decision only to invite students into school on results day. We ask that all parents, siblings and other family members do not come into school, but instead wait on the school car park.



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If you, or your child, choose not to collect your results from school, or you are away on holiday, you can request that Kingsmead School share their statement of results with you by email and/or post. All requests should be submitted to ks-examqueries@kingsmeadschool.net.

Mr. Cavanagh and Mrs. Butler will be available to discuss your child's results with them. They will be able to explain what options your child has, if they have not received the results they had hoped for.

If your child needs support through clearing, or with their next steps (i.e. an apprenticeship), the sixth form team are available throughout the day.

Appeals and Results Queries

An outline of the appeals process can be found on the school website ([here](#)). If you or your child have any queries about their results, you should submit these by email to ks-examqueries@kingsmeadschool.net, which will be monitored on results day by Mrs. T Gunner (Examinations Support Officer).

Autumn Exam Series

Students who do not feel their teacher assessed grade reflects their ability will have the opportunity to sit an exam in the autumn term. A-Level exams will take place in November. Any queries regarding this should be sent by email to ks-examqueries@kingsmeadschool.net.

Any student wanting to understand the implications of taking these autumn exams on their admission to university, should speak to the university from which they have received an offer, after they have received their results.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs M Mincher
Head of School