**GCSE Exams Summer 2020**

Dear Students,

I hope that you are all safe and well and that you had a good Easter break.

Many of you have been anxious about how your GCSE grades will be awarded and have been working hard to get work completed.

I am pleased to be able to give you the latest information and hope that this will alleviate some pressure and stress.

On 3rd April 2020, the government provided further information on how GCSE grades will be decided. There is a letter to students from Ofqual and you should read it here: <https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/880613/Letter_to_students_-_Summer_2020_grading.pdf>

In short, your English and maths teachers will be submitting grades for each of you taking into consideration a range of factors like your classwork and homework; your results in assignments and any mock exams; any non-exam assessment or coursework you might have done; and your general progress during your course.

Students will be able to appeal these grades if they do not feel they reflect their performance.

You will also have the option to sit your exams in the autumn, or next summer, if you wish to. If you do choose to sit exams, both grades (the calculated grade and exam result) will stand.

Although the guidance states the no further work will be needed to award a grade, Lambeth College will continue the remote education of its students with an objective of gaining a head start on the curriculum for next year. As such, all your GCSE English and maths lessons are still going ahead.

A deadline for the submission of information is yet to be announced, but will not be before 29th May. Students will then receive their results on Thursday 20th August 2021.

The [full breakdown](https://www.gov.uk/government/news/how-gcses-as-a-levels-will-be-awarded-in-summer-2020) of the guidance has been released on the government website.

Again, please take care of yourselves and let us know if there is anything further we can do to support you during this challenging period.

Yours sincerely,

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