



## Ballyclare Secondary School

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19<sup>th</sup> May 2021

Dear Parent/Carer,

Since our return to school following the Easter holiday, pupils in Year 13 have been completing a number of assessment activities. These assessments will form the basis of how teachers will award AS Level grades this year. Staff will complete the Centre Determined Grades process for all the main examination boards: CCEA, AQA, WJEC and Edexcel. Details of how we will determine grades for your child are included in the Centre Determined Grade Policy available on the school website.

Our pupils have worked incredibly hard over these past weeks and should be congratulated on how they have responded following the disruption to their education they have had to endure this year.

As the process of determining grades completes on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2021 a number of AS courses will end for this year. In preparation for next year, there are some subjects that will continue to the end of term. Pupils who study these courses should continue to attend classes. The subjects that will continue to 25<sup>th</sup> June 2021 include:

- Biology - until further notice
- Technology - until 25<sup>th</sup> June
- Maths - until 28<sup>th</sup> May
- Digital Technology - until 25<sup>th</sup> June
- Travel and Tourism - until completion of portfolios
- Music - until 25<sup>th</sup> June
- BTEC Sport– Unit 18 - until completion of portfolios
- Health and Social Care - until 21<sup>st</sup> May
- Accounts - until further notice
- Chemistry - until further notice
- Nutrition and Food Science - until 28<sup>th</sup> May

Pupils are required to attend for only these subjects however, if needed, the Sixth Form Centre is available for pupils during the school day.

With this letter, I have attached information from Mr P Weir, MLA, and Minister of Education detailing the plans for examinations next year.

On Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> August 2021 GCE AS Results will be available in school.

I would like to thank you for all your support over this past year. It has been a challenging year in many ways but hopefully we can look forward to a more normal school year next year. The summer term will end on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2021.

I hope that you and your family will have an enjoyable summer as restrictions for reducing the spread of COVID-19 are relaxed. Further details regarding GCE Results Day and the start of the new term will follow in August 2021.

Yours sincerely

*Mrs K. Bell*

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Principal

