

29th April 2020

Dear Parents and Carers of Year 11 students,

I hope you are all safe and well in the challenging circumstances we currently find ourselves in. I am writing to you in the hope of providing further clarity to help you support your children through the next steps in their academic journey and address some frequently asked questions:

How will my child's grade be awarded?

Teachers will be asked to submit grades based on a range of evidence including classwork, practicals and mock exams – awarding the **grade they believe students would have attained if the examinations had gone ahead**. However, Ofqual have been very clear **the Academy's grade for a student must not be shared with students or families**.

The Academy's judgements will then be moderated and adjusted by Ofqual, based on a range of metrics, and a final "calculated grade" will be released to schools no later than the original **GCSE Results Day of 20th August 2020. These will then be made available to you.**

The Government have advised if students do not feel their calculated grade reflects their true performance, they may have the opportunity to sit an exam in the Autumn term 2020, or Summer term 2021.

What does this mean for my child's Post-16 applications?

Your child should now been in a position in which they have applied and received offers to their chosen post-16 destinations. If your child has yet to apply or has not had a place confirmed, I would advise you get in contact with myself or Mrs Gibbins (Pastoral Manager) so we can support you and your child through this vital process.

All students who have already been offered conditional or unconditional places at a post-16 destination are advised to contact their provider to request any subject specific work/reading that could help support their preparation for the new academic year.

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Students with conditional offers at Oasis Academy Shirley Park Sixth Form, please await confirmation regarding work/reading which will be provided to you by Mr Walsh (Head of Sixth Form) in the coming weeks.

Oasis Academy Shirley Park Sixth Form remains, for the second year, the top Sixth Form for progress in the borough and top 1% of the country. **Students who are still interested in applying for our Sixth Form are advised to contact Ms King (KS5 Pastoral Manager) to arrange an interview.**

I hope this information provides further clarity for you and your child in these times of uncertainty. Please find below a list of contacts mentioned in this letter:

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Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any further questions.

Best wishes,

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