

Students & Parents/Carers In Years 11 and 13

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Dear Students and Parents/Carers,

## **GCSE and A Level Exams Summer 2019**

The Summer 2019 exams may seem like a long way off at the moment, but we wish to share some important information with you to avoid any possible issues next summer.

For the Summer 2019 exam series, a "contingency" exams day has been arranged by the Examination Awarding Bodies about which all students need to be aware. This contingency day, for both GCSE and A Level examinations, has been put in place "in the event of widespread, sustained national or local disruption to examinations during the June 2019 examination series."

The Joint Council for Qualifications (JCQ) has decided that they need the option to postpone an exam in the event of an incident and rearrange for a later date to allow all students a fair and equal chance.

The date that has been set aside as the 'contingency day' is Wednesday 26 June 2019. This means that all exam candidates must be available to sit exams from the date of their first exam until Wednesday 26 June 2019. This decision is not a school decision and applies to all candidates in all schools.

Yours sincerely,

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