Exams & Assessment Summer 2021

An outline of Changes and Amendments
January 2021





Changes to the External Exams

GCSEs, GCEs and other UK qualifications

Exams <u>will not</u> run as normal.

Student performance will be based on school, internally assessed grades. There may also be exam board tests which schools administer.

The exam board will publish their results in late August 2021 and issue certificates in the Autumn of 2021.

International exams -IGCSE & IAL Exams will likely run as normal. Student performance will be based on the external sitting of exams set by the examination boards.

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Supporting our Students at this Challenging Time

- 1. Change in Mock Dates
- 2. Diagnostic Assessments with advance notification
- 3. Additional learning support sessions

Change in Mock Dates

Given the continuing uncertainties regarding lockdown and in order to better support students' learning during this time, we are changing the date of Mock exams:

All mocks will move nearer to the Easter vacation:

- 2nd 19th April inclusive (students will receive new timetables)
- Make-up exams Saturday 17th April
- Note: Due to updated Ministry requirements, as the Apolytirion will be produced in late June, students' Mock performance in Year 7 will play a key role in their Apolytirion grade

Diagnostic Assessments- 8th-12th February

2.Diagnostic Assessments

To better support students sitting external exams, in lead-up to Mocks:

Students will sit one exam paper in each subject, of up to 1.5 hour.

- Students will be given advance notification of the topics to be covered by 18th January. Their teachers will also explain in class.
- These assessments will be sat under controlled exam conditions
- Year 5 and 7 students will sit these assessments through the week so they won't attend normal lessons at this time
- Years 4 and 6 will sit assessments for 2 days only- details will follow
- All students will be sent an diagnostic assessment timetable
- Make-up exams will be on Saturday 13th February

3. Learning Support Sessions



A four-week programme of additional support will be put in place to prepare students for Mock examinations, including data from the results of the Diagnostic.

<u>15th February -26t^h March</u> – afternoon sessions

Students will be informed of the schedule shortly

Common Assessments

Common Assessments will run as normal.

• Changes made to the schedule due to the Diagnostic assessment week will be updated on the website and Weduc.

 Teachers will also inform students of changes.

Any Questions

 We wish all students all the best in their academic endeavours, especially in these challenging times.

• Please do contact us at the school if you have any queries or have any concerns.