

## Great Wyrley Academy

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## Dear Parent/Carer

As many of you will be aware, traditionally in previous years, students would have completed their studies and then gone on to complete formal examinations. This year with no external examinations, the system will operate slightly differently with the introduction of Teacher Assessed Grades (TAGs). Our <u>WAT Student and Parent site</u> gives an overview of the process for awarding Teacher Assessment Grades.

We have all been impressed by the Year 11's spirit and determination to do their best during this process so far. Students have demonstrated a real purpose and resilience throughout their return back to face-to-face teaching. As we approach half term there are a few key dates and pieces of information I would like to draw to your attention.

Up until Friday 28 May, students will be continuing to complete assessments within their subject areas. During this period, students will also be informed by their subject teachers of what evidence will be used when coming to a judgement about their Teacher Assessed Grade. This information will also be published on the school website for parents and carers to access. Students will also at this point be able to inform the school of any mitigating circumstances that they may wish us to consider. More information about informing us about mitigating circumstances and what constitutes a mitigating circumstance will follow in due course.

Year 11 students will complete their formal timetabled lessons on Friday 28 May. From Monday 7 June there will be a range of on-site and remote learning opportunities for all Year 11 students.

Students who have applied to join ASPIRE Sixth will be able to attend a number of Sixth Form sessions to support them with their transition into Post-16 study at ASPIRE Sixth. Students will also be able to access information and course material for a range of college-based activities via Google Classroom.

In addition to this, those students not coming to ASPIRE Sixth will have access to materials from other local colleges, as well as completing online courses from PET-Xi. Mr Rehman will also provide for students' access to resources based around employability skills and finance. More information with regards to these opportunities will be shared with students before half term.

Please be aware that whilst students will no longer be required to attend formal timetabled lessons from Friday 28 May, there may be instances where some students are required to attend to complete work, in order to ensure we have enough evidence for the students TAG.



Student TAGs must be submitted to the exam boards no later than the 18 June. We will hold a Year 11 celebration event with the students on Friday 28 May. More information about this event will be sent out by Mrs McCarthy.

Please be assured that staff will continue to be available from Friday 28 May to support students if they require help with Post-16 transition or pastoral care and support.

This year's results day is earlier than in previous years - Year 11 students will be able to collect their results on Thursday 12 August (information to follow).

I want to end by saying how proud we are of your children. Since returning after the Easter break, they have been working extremely hard to improve their evidence portfolio which will be used to determine their Teacher Assessment Grades. Over the next couple of weeks, it is vital that they continue to work diligently, to ensure they give themselves the best possible chance to achieve what they deserve.

Yours sincerely

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