

## 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 and study leave. 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.

I have been impressed by Year 13, in particular with their attitude, determination and approach to their studies, since returning back to ASPIRE Sixth. As we approach half term there are a few key dates and pieces of information I would like to draw your attention to.

In the week commencing the 17 May, students will be completing assessments within their subject areas. During this week, students will also be informed by their subject teachers 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 13 students will complete their formal timetabled lessons on Friday 28 May with a celebration event planned for them that afternoon (beginning at 11:50 in the Sixth form area at school). However, please be aware that although students are no longer required to attend Sixth Form for lessons, 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's TAGs will be submitted to the exam boards no later than the 18 June which is the deadline for all entries.

Please be assured that staff will continue to be available from the 28 May to support students if they require help with UCAS, Apprenticeships or employment. We would ask that if students would like to come into school, that they inform Mrs Newman via her email <a href="mailto:snewman@greatwyrley.windsoracademytrust.org.uk">snewman@greatwyrley.windsoracademytrust.org.uk</a>

This year's results day is earlier than in previous years and Sixth Form students will be able to collect their results on Tuesday 10 August.



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

Ian Moreton

Headteacher