Our Ref: LTM/kmd/Y11update

7 May 2021



Dear Parent/Guardian

Re: Further updates regarding organisation of the reminder of the academic year

We would like to complement year 11 on their continued positive approach in school as they navigate through the final stage of their journey towards the end of the academic year. The requirement for Teacher Assessed Grades (TAGs) and the need to develop an evidence base covering a range of work completed over time, alongside the completion of in-class assessments, results in an intense period of time which requires continued focus by all.

Feedback from staff in school is that students are demonstrating good levels of engagement and recognise their responsibilities to ensure they demonstrate their very best work. It is important that this continues throughout the process.

For Parents, a reminder that key information regarding the TAG process can be found on our school website (http://www.oldburywells.com/parent-information/teacher-assessed-grades) and that although staff are unable to hold any discussion regarding potential allocated grades, we are here if you have any wider questions.

At this stage we thought it would be useful to respond to a number of questions already received, please see the details below:

When is results day? For GCSE students, results day will be on <u>Thursday</u>, <u>12th August 2021</u>. Once we have received government guidance, we will communicate how this day will work and provide all students with the relevant detail. Whatever the arrangements, key staff will be onsite to provide any further support required.

Will I have an overview of the subjects my child will be receiving grades for? We will shortly be issuing students with a 'Statement of Entry'. This will list all the subjects which students have been entered for and provides detail such as tiers of entry. We would ask that these are checked carefully. If there are any issues please report these to Mrs Wellings (Exams Officer) who overviews the entry procedures - sarah.wellings@oldburywells.com.

When will be my child's last day in school? All our planning means that students will complete all their work which will contribute towards their TAGs by the end of this half term, therefore their final day in school will be on Friday, 28th May. We aim to celebrate the time the students have been with us at Oldbury Wells and will be talking to them regarding the final arrangements once we know what restrictions are still in place.

What further support will there be for my child following half term? During this time, we will be working hard to continue to support students in the next steps of their education. We are delighted that we have many students looking to return to our Bridgnorth 6th Form but will be working with all students, no matter what their future destination is.

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To support this on <u>Monday</u>, <u>28th June</u> we will be offering a **6th Form Taster Day** for any students considering Bridgnorth 6th Form as their future destination (more details to follow regarding this).

Our school website has a significant amount of materials to support transition into our 6th form which we would encourage all students to spend some time looking at:

http://www.bridgnorthsixthform.com/student-zone/year-11-transition

For those students who know exactly what courses they are considering there are some transition activities which would be extremely useful for them to complete.

If any students require further careers advice, then they should make contact with Ms Barlow who will put the appropriate arrangements in place — sarah.barlow@oldburywells.com. For those considering a wider range of post 16 provision, students should be encouraged to make contact with potential destinations to look at what further opportunities are on offer.

Can we wish all students continued success, they have all worked so incredibly hard during an extremely challenging period of time; as we progress through the final stage of their journey, we look forward to continuing working with them and together securing the very best outcomes.

Should you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact the school. Thanks as always for your continued support.

Yours faithfully

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