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Dear Parent/Carer

Please find below, further important information regarding the forthcoming GCSE examinations.

At this crucial stage, there is a lot you can do to help your son prepare for their examinations and perform their best on the days themselves. Additional support and revision resources can be found on the website here: <https://tgbs.co.uk/year-11-revision/>.

It's important that before your exams start your son makes sure that he understands the rules, including what he can and can't take into exams. For example, he must not take mobile phones or watches into the exam room. Detailed information for candidates and further information can be found on our website here: <https://tgbs.co.uk/exams/> Pupils are reminded that they must be dressed in full uniform, including shoes, for all revision lessons and examinations.

The [National Careers Service](#) provides free and impartial careers advice, information and guidance and runs a dedicated exam results helpline for all students taking qualifications.

Ofqual has produced a [student guide](#) to exams and assessments in 2023 with more information about what to expect this summer. Ofqual has also worked with specialists to develop [a guide to coping with exam pressure](#).

They have ensured that additional support for examinations in is in place this summer:



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There is a package of exam and assessment support in place this summer, including formulae and equation sheets in some GCSEs, the spacing of exams in the timetable to give pupils time to prepare between exams, and protection in place when it comes to grading. The grading protection that Ofqual have introduced for GCSE students means that a student who would have achieved a particular grade before the pandemic should be just as likely to do so in 2023, even if the quality of their work is a little weaker.

Dr Jo Saxton, the Chief Regulator of Ofqual has written [a letter for parents outlining the arrangements in place](#) for exams and assessments in 2023, which is also published on the Ofqual website.

I would like to take this final opportunity to thank you for your support. I wish all the pupils the very best of luck for their examinations and I look forward to celebrating with them on Results Day on Thursday 24th August 2023.

Yours faithfully



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