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Dear Parent/Carer,

Re: Exam Results Day – Thursday 12th August 2021

We hope this letter finds you and your family safe and well. As a result of the disruption students have faced this year the government has stated exams and assessments cannot be held fairly. Teachers will instead submit grades to the exam boards, based on their assessment of what a student has shown they know and can do, enabling them to progress to the next stage of their education, training, or employment.

Click this link for more information on how GCSE grades will be awarded:

[https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/964613/Infographic - how GCSEs AS and A levels will be awarded in summer 2021.pdf](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/964613/Infographic_-_how_GCSEs_AS_and_A_levels_will_be_awarded_in_summer_2021.pdf)

Click this link for more information on how vocational grades will be awarded:

[https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/964614/Infographic - how vocational and technical qualifications will be awarded in 2021.pdf](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/964614/Infographic_-_how_vocational_and_technical_qualifications_will_be_awarded_in_2021.pdf)

How will students receive their results?

In line with government health and safety guidance, we will NOT be able to allow students to come to the academy to receive their grades. Instead, students will receive their results electronically via their @cockburnjohncharles.org email addresses between 9:00am and 10:00am, Thursday 12th August. The email will contain an email attachment with the student's results. This email attachment will need to be downloaded and opened. Exam certificates will be available for collection from the school office, 8:00am-4:00pm, Monday to Friday, term time only, from December 2021 until June 2022.

For more information about our exam process, policies and support go to the Exam Information page of our academy website: <https://cockburnjohncharles.org/parents-carers/exam-information/>

Can students use these results to gain entry to sixth form or college?

Yes, your child will be able to use these results to go to sixth form or college in the normal way. Please be reassured, we will continue to support your child with progression to further education, training or employment.

What support will students receive?

Students will be able to phone school or email year11@cockburnjohncharles.org on Thursday 12th and Friday 13th August when we will have staff on hand to offer support. Further to this we will have an online Careers and Post-16 support link available that will provide information that will be updated throughout the results period with up to date information from the colleges and other post-16 providers. Each post-16 provider has its own enrolment process and it is your child's responsibility to ensure that they enrol with their chosen provider. If they don't, they risk losing their place. Please ensure that they are checking their mobile, email and the relevant websites for updates.

The National Careers Service has an exam results helpline during August 2021. Call 0800 100 900 to speak to a professionally qualified careers adviser for advice on the next steps. The helpline is open every day between 8:00am and 10:00pm from Thursday 12th August until Friday 27th August. After these dates, young people will be able to access ongoing support at any time on 0800 100 900, visiting nationalcareers.service.gov.uk/contact-us or searching for National Careers Service on social media.

We understand that this has been a difficult time for our Year 11 students. We remain extremely proud of their achievements during their time as Cockburn John Charles students and wish them well for the future.

Yours faithfully,



Mr D Gurney
Executive Headteacher



Mrs S Roberts
Head of School