

ParentMail sent on 26 February regarding:

## **Information for Year 11 & Year 13 Students - How will Qualifications be awarded in 2021**

**Sent on behalf of Mr Andrew McGinnes, Headteacher - Please share this information with your child/ren**

Dear Students (and Parents),

I hope you are well and surviving the remote learning experience.

The following article has just been published today. You will see that the article is written for students to read. Click on the link:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/how-qualifications-will-be-awarded-in-2021>

You will see that there will now be a short "technical consultation" after which the examination boards will give us more detailed instructions. We will publish our arrangements as soon as we can, after we receive this.

You will see that our prediction was correct, as usual (!) - the range of evidence we have been talking about will be important. Therefore, keep working away on everything that you are asked to do, and do attend the after school interventions, which restart when we return on 8th March.

You will have mocks in the week beginning 22nd March, after which we will be able to use your performances to plan the rest of the preparation towards your final opportunity for assessment. Your teachers will be clear with you what these mocks will involve and you will not be tested on anything that you have not been taught.

There is a great deal to reassure you in the OfQual document. We can't change the experiences of the last year, but we as a school will do everything that is right and proper to ensure that you receive the grades that you deserve and allow you to access your next steps. Please do not approach your teachers at this stage, because they will be awaiting the final decisions, and will not be able to tell you anything more. They will not, at any stage, be able to discuss with you the potential grades that result from any process.

Regards

**Mr Andrew McGinnes**  
Headteacher