

11th August 2020

Dear Parent/Carer,

I am writing to inform you that, given the current guidance and situation with COVID 19, we have allocated students a time slot on Thursday 20th August so that they will be able to collect their results with social distancing rules in place on the school site. We would ask that only the students come onto the Nova site to collect their results. You can, of course bring your child to the school but, if you will be arriving by car, please park in the turning circle at the bottom of the drive and remain in/near to your car; please do not accompany your child into the building.

Members of SLT and the hub team will be on hand to discuss any concerns or problems in a socially distanced environment. We will also be available on the telephone or via a TEAMS meeting to support should you prefer. Unfortunately, other teaching staff will not be in school and students will not be allowed to group together to take photos.

The time slots have been allocated by surname as follows:

Slot 1	9:30 - 10:00	Surnames A-B
Slot 2	10:00 - 10:30	Surnames C-D
Slot 3	10:30 - 11:00	Surnames E-G
Slot 4	11:00 - 11:30	Surnames H-J
Slot 5	11:30 - 12:00	Surnames K-M
Slot 6	12:00 - 12:30	Surnames N-R
Slot 7	12:30 - 13:00	Surnames S-U
Slot 8	13:00 - 13:30	Surnames V-Y

We will e-mail results to students who are unable to attend in person on the day using their school email address.

Given recent local news that there is a small chance Swindon could be put into a local lockdown then the following would apply in this case: If full lockdown restrictions are back in place, then pupils will not be able to collect their results from school and they will be emailed to pupils on the morning of Thursday 20th August. Members of SLT and the hub team will be available on the telephone or over a TEAMS meeting to support should you require. Should we be required to use this option then we will text you on Wednesday 19th August to let you know if this is the case.

On results day, the pupils will be given their GCSE final grades for each subject. They will also be given guidance as to how to retake any of their qualifications should they wish to. The examination boards have announced a re-testing window in November this year where students can sit any subjects they choose to. These re-sits will be arranged with Nova and will be

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funded by the school. There is a short window for requesting a re-sit – information relating to this will be detailed in the results pack on 20th August.

As mentioned in my letter of 14th July, results day is a highlight of the year for teachers as well as students, so I know this is not the ideal way to celebrate our students' success. I hope you can appreciate that it is an unusual time for us all and that the safety of our students and staff is our top priority. It would be a shame if any actions we took helped increase the spread of the virus and jeopardised the chance of school opening in September for all year groups. It is for this reason that we have chosen the approach we have.

Kind Regards

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'B. Griffin', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Mr Griffin
Assistant Principal