

July 2020

Dear Parents/Carers and Year 13/14 Students

I hope you are all keeping safe and well. Thank you for your patience in waiting for information about Level 3 Results Day on Thursday 13 August. As you know, we have been waiting for as much information as possible to be released by Ofqual and the Government, before making our arrangements to support our students, both on Results Day itself and afterwards.

Results Day- Thursday 13 August 2020

I'm sure you understand that we will not be able to congregate in the usual numbers on Results Day and in turn we understand that not all of you will feel comfortable collecting your results in person, particularly at busier times. However, we are keen to see as many students as possible face to face to congratulate or console and support with next steps. Therefore, we have extended the time that results will be available to pick up and increased the number of spaces they will be picked up from, to help maintain social distancing.

Instead of the usual 9.00am we will be making results available from **8.30am**. The Year Group will be divided into three alphabetically. Surnames beginning with the letter A - G will collect their results from a row of tables extending from A - G along the East side (Maths side) of the Hub Avenue. Students with surnames beginning with H - N will collect their results from tables extending from H - N along the West side of the Avenue. There will be a one way system in place to allow both of these groups to leave the building by the Maths and the Science corridors respectively. At the Southern end of the Hub (Café end) members of staff will be available to give advice and two computer rooms will be available G15 and F12 for UCAS and Next Step guidance. Surnames O - Z will collect their results from the Gallery on the first floor of the West side of the Hub. Again tables will be arranged in alphabetical rather than the more usual tutor group order and a one way system will be in place allowing students and parents to exit via the southern end of the corridor. If students do want to bring someone with them, please can we ask that this is limited to only one adult per student where possible.

At **11.30am** when most results will have been collected we will consolidate the remaining envelopes into one area (The East side of the Avenue) and the remaining envelopes will be laid out alphabetically until **2.00pm** when any not collected will be taken to the main office for posting home.

If you would prefer to receive your results by email on Thursday 13 August please request this in advance by emailing Julia Baker in our exams office. jbaker@budmouth-aspirations.org

More than ever, we are really keen to hear about your "Next Step" and provide guidance where needed. We would like all students to fill out this Google Form after results: <https://forms.gle/144YqFxt3CofpPR6>

There will be an opportunity on the form to request that one of the Sixth Form team contacts you to give advice or arrange a discussion. These can be via phone, video meet or face to face meeting at school on Friday 14 August. Whether it is advice on going to university, appeals, retakes or even Year 14, we will be here to help.

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Appeals & Autumn Exams

The Awarding Bodies are working with JCQ to produce a comprehensive guide for centres on this summer's appeals process which will complement the information provided in Ofqual's guidance, once the final version is published (consultation concluded on 14 July). We will also provide information for learners and their parents, so they are aware of how we can support them, if they wish to appeal their final qualification result. However, Ofqual confirmed on 30 June that any student unable to receive a calculated result and others who would like to improve their grades, will have an opportunity to take the full suite of AS and A-level exams in the autumn. JCQ has now confirmed that the dates for these exams will be:

- **AS and A-level exams:** Monday 5 October to Friday 23 October
- **GCSE exams:** Monday 2 November to Monday 23 November.

You'll be able to start making entries around mid-August and we'll be in touch to let you know the exact dates. In the meantime the entry deadlines for your diary will be:

- **AS and A-level:** Friday 4 September
- **GCSE (English Language and Mathematics):** 4 October.

I will make provision on the [Google Form](#) for you to request information about October exam entries. Inevitably, students will be out of practise by the time they get their results, but if they act quickly if they are disappointed with their results, there is time to prepare for these exams and therefore a chance to put things right if students feel aggrieved.

In the longer term, students may wish to consider a Year 14 at school and a chance to sit their exams in the summer of 2021, having had the normal degree of classroom support for the year.

Student Work for Collection

The potential for exams in October has implications for students needing to access their work.

If your son/daughter dropped off their work to school for use in the production of Centre Assessed grades this will be made available to collect on Results Day in the areas of the Hub associated with that student's surname. Please try to ensure that this work is collected even if your son/daughter does not intend to sit autumn exams, but keep it safe, just in case it is needed for any kind of appeals process.

Library books, text books & other school resources

Please check that you haven't got any books, or other school resources that have been borrowed. If you do, in the foyer outside the main office, there is a box where you can place them. Alternatively, there will also be a box on results day for returning them.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact myself or any other member of the Sixth Form Team. Finally, I would like to thank our students for the sacrifice they have made on behalf of others throughout this period. I hope you get some chance to enjoy the summer break. It is not too late to send us something to remember the Class of 2020 using this [Leavers Google Form!](#) I look forward to seeing many of you again on Results Day.

Yours sincerely



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