

St Martin-in-the-Fields High School for Girls

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Friday 14 May 2021

And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. Hebrews 12:1-2

Dear Families

I hope this letter finds you well. I would like to start by saying how brilliant Year 11 students have been throughout the year, and particularly over the last few months, dealing with the disruption, and changes as a result of the pandemic. We are aware of how difficult it has been for all students, particularly the examinations groups. St Martin's staff have worked hard to do everything possible to ensure students have been cared for, focussed on their learning and progressing in all of their subjects.

Traditionally, at this time of year, I would be writing to you to inform you of the exam timetable and the arrangements for the last day of classroom learning, the commencement of study leave and details of our Year 11 Leavers Ceremony and Prom! However, this year, it will be very different.

As you would have been informed in a previous letter, the approach to awarding GCSE and AS/A Level grades this year requires us to submit grades to examination boards by 18 June 2021. To allow time for marking, moderation and administrative checks, this effectively means that any work completed after the May half term would not form part of the evidence base for the teacher and centre assessed grades.

Final Assessments

From Monday 17 May to Friday 28 May, Year 11 will have two full weeks of final assessments. These will take place in the hall under examination conditions. Students are reminded that they will only be assessed on what they have been taught and have been given a revision/topic list by their subject teachers. The assessment timetable and topic information can be found on the Assessments 2021 page on our website. Students are expected to be in school every day and will have time in the day for revision. There is no study leave.

Final Day in School

The last day of full time education for Year 11 will be Friday 28 May 2021. Students final assessment will be on the morning of 28 May and, after a celebratory lunch and a special farewell assembly, Year 11 will be dismissed at about 2.30pm. If your daughter is continuing with us at 6th form, we have our Post 16 Induction Day on 2 July to which your daughter will be invited.

Year 11 Social in school (covid permitting)

We are planning a Year 11 social at the school (covid permitting) on Thursday 23 June. We will invite students back for an outdoor event with food, music, dancing and speeches. It will be a time to say goodbye and celebrate their time here at St Martin's. We do hope that the covid restrictions will be lifted enough for this to happen. Further details will be sent to you at a later date.

2021 Assessment information

This letter also provides you with a link to our <u>Centre Policy</u>. It outlines our approach to teacher assessment and ensuring the process is fair and equitable. All Year 11 students will be given an overview of the evidence being used to assess them in each subject. Your daughter will then be asked to sign a declaration for each subject, confirming that she understands which evidence is being used. You can read more about the 2021 exam and appeal process in the JCQ guidance for parents and students and on our <u>Assessments 2021 page on our website</u>.

Results day and enrollment into St Martin's 6th Form

Results will be distributed on Thursday 12 August 2021 and your daughter is invited to come in and collect her results between 10.00am and 12.00pm. We will also be enrolling students into the 6th form and offering help and advice to any students who may not have been accepted into their 6th form of choice. If your daughter is unable to collect her results herself, a nominated person can collect on her behalf. The form at the end of this letter must be completed by your daughter and brought with the nominated person for us to release the results.



I have summarised below the key dates outlined in this letter

Friday 14 May Year 11 Assessments begin Final Assessments am - Shirt signing at lunchtime/Leavers Friday 28 May lunch/Assembly pm Monday 31 - Friday 4 June Half Term Tuesday 8 June - Friday Year 11 students must be available to attend school if required 11 June to confirm a piece of assessed work. Year 11 Social at the school 5.30pm to 9.00pm (Covid Thursday 23 June permitting) Friday 2 July Post 16 Induction Day Thursday 12 August GCSE Results Day and enrollment into 6th Form 10.00am to 12.00pm We will be organising some educational events during the month of June and early July. We will inform students at a later date with the content of these sessions that will take place on Wednesday afternoon. Thank you for trusting us with your daughter's education over the past 5 years. It has been an absolute pleasure being their Headteacher, watching them grow and mature over this time and progress in their studies. I am sure you are as proud of your daughter as I am. I thank you very much for your support and kind words as we continue to navigate our way through the difficult times of this pandemic and for your generous words to me as I prepare to venture off into a world of retirement! It has been an honour and privilege to serve you as Headteacher. Myself, the staff at St Martin's, particularly, Ms Beckford, Year 11 Progress Leader, and Tutors, Ms Asiedu, Ms Huggins, Ms Louchini and Mrs Mpofu wish all of our students well and God's strength and peace. We look forward to many of them staying at St Martin's to continue their journey of success through post 16 education. Yours sincerely **Beverley Stanislaus** Headteacher ST MARTIN-IN-THE-FIELDS HIGH SCHOOL FOR GIRLS YEAR 11 ASSESSMENT RESULTS DAY 12 AUGUST 2021 (10.00AM - 12.00PM) - COLLECTION PERMISSION SLIP Name of studentTutor group.......Tutor I am unable to collect my results personally. I give permission to...... who will collect the results on my behalf. The person named above, collecting my results, is a family member / a friend / other (please specify)