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Dear Parent/Carer

I hope you and your family are well.

If at any point you have any queries please contact the school on the administration e-mail: administration@rutlish.merton.sch.uk. In the title of the e-mail, I would be grateful if you could include the **name of the teacher** the query is directed to, the **subject** and the **year group**. This will allow us to process the query efficiently and ensure it is passed to the relevant staff. For any urgent issues please contact the school by phone during normal school hours.

Since my last communication, there have been a variety of updates shared by the exam boards and Ofqual which are detailed below. However, it is important to recognise that not all details have been clarified e.g. the consultation of awarding vocational qualifications is not due to finish until the 8th May.

Exam Board Updates

- Previously it was suggested that students would receive their results in late July. It has now been confirmed that results will be published on the 20th August 2020.
- Ofqual have confirmed that students studying a vocational course will also receive a calculated grade. The fine detail of this process is still awaiting clarification as students completing these courses have already taken some external assessments.
- Exam boards will start to collect the centre assessed grades from the 1st June.

Staff are currently working on providing the centre assessed grades to the exam boards based on the evidence we have. I can reassure you that this is a rigorous process with the grades being scrutinized by several staff to ensure all students receive a fair grade from the school.

However, it is important to note that the centre assessed grade is not the final grade and the exam board will review the grades awarded to ensure they are in line with the school's prior performance and the national distribution of grades is the same as last year. This process could lead to several grades being altered.

In line with Ofqual's requirements, can I request that staff are not contacted to discuss the grades awarded as this would be regarded as malpractice and would need to be reported to the exam boards.

If your son has not applied to a college/6th form careers support is still available. If you would like to access this support, please contact me through the administration email and we will arrange for our careers advisor to contact you by telephone.



Transitional work should be available on Fronter for your son to complete. In addition to this a link is in the process of being created that will give your son access to the subjects that are taught at Ricards. Also, GCSE Pod has created transitional work in the following subjects:

- English Language
- English Literature
- Maths
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Physics
- Geography
- History
- Spanish
- French

This work includes a variety of pod casts and workbooks that can be completed and are found within the subject areas.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Yours faithfully,

Brendan Gormally
Associate Headteacher

