



Joseph Leckie Academy

8th January 2021

Dear Students,

You will have seen from the news that the decision has now be made that there will be now be no GCSE and A Level examinations in the summer and the Government are looking at Centre Assessment Grades in some form. We are waiting for further updates regarding whether or not there will be any BTEC examinations/re-sits.

At the moment there is no detail of what information we will be expected to use to arrive at these Grades as Gavin Williams, the Secretary for Education has stated that they are working out the details and will provide training for teachers to ensure that grades are accurate and fair across the country.

We are fairly sure that we are likely to be asked to use a full range of information which will include previous assessments, homework and tasks you have completed in class with teachers prior to/during the lockdowns and assessments which will be done when we return at the end of the lockdown in February/ March. **It is very likely that you will have to complete some assessments which will support the awarding of your grade following the Lockdown.**

The lessons you are receiving now and the work set are crucial as it will ensure that you are ready for any assessments' you have to complete and support the grade you achieve in the summer. **It is very important that you fully engage with your on-line learning, completing all work and forms quizzes/ assessments set by your teachers as they will support your progress and prepare you for assessments on return.**

We would like to make sure you can access your work due to its importance and would appreciate it if you would complete the form attached to this link so that we have this information.

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=1nL8GWyFxE2X2ta8PfHBO7Jsrbz02iZNv2_dhneQdL9UOTMySIIPUkFLTzBPR1pIMjFBUkRVODZYOS4u

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In addition, if you don't have access to a Lap Top but do have a games console (XBOX/PS) you can use this to access Microsoft 365 including Teams. Please see the website for more information on the Remote learning section of the website and emails that are sent with instructions.

For the reasons above I wish to stress again how very important it is that you put every effort into work provided and continue to work towards your grades so that you get the best you possibly can in the summer.

As soon as schools are provided with further details we will obviously keep you updated.

Please ensure that you access your emails regularly for updates as we receive more information.

Please take care and stay safe and follow the Lockdown expectations.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R. Y. Cook". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Miss Cook

Acting Principal