19th August 2020

Dear year 10 Parents/Carers

I hope that you and your families are well. I am writing regarding the English Literature GCSE results your child will be expecting on Thursday 20th August.

As you may be aware, the government have announced that teacher assessed grades will be the minimum students will receive as their final grade. The algorithm created by Ofqual and intended to be used to standardise all grades this summer, will still generate grades for each student, but the final grade will not be below the teacher assessed grade.

We are inviting students to attend school to collect results on Thursday 20th August at the below times. Results not collected will be distributed to students at the start of term.

In the envelope students will find the following information:

Final Grades. These are based on the teacher assessed grades and are the actual grade awarded to students. This grade will be the highest out of the grade calculated by the algorithm and the teacher assessed grade.

Teacher Assessed Grade for English Literature GCSE. This is the grade that your child’s teacher has calculated they would have got if they were able to sit the exams this year. As you know your son/daughter has worked for the last 4 years towards these examinations and consequently we have a lot of information such as mock exams, assessed work and class work to base the grade on. I am rightly proud of the quality of teachers at Saltley and therefore have confidence in these grades. I also believe it is the right of your son/daughter to know this information.

Rank order
The ranking is where their teacher placed them in order with all other students in this subject with the same grade. This piece of information may not be that useful, as you will not know out of how many students your ranking relates to, for example your may have a rank of 15, but you will not know out of how many (15/20 for example). However, I want to be as transparent as possible, and this is information which was submitted to examining board, and I believe your son/daughter has a right to know it, should they wish to.

Mock Exam Grades. This is the grade that your son/daughter attained in a mock examination which they completed earlier in the year for all this subject.

Hopefully, weather permitting; we will be able to give out the envelopes outside the front of the school. In the case of inclement weather, students will be welcomed into the main hall via a sanitising station.

Alhazen & Curie: 10:45 – 11:00
Cadbury & Farah: 11:00 - 11:15
Shakespeare & Turing:  11:15 – 11:30

Students will enter through the pedestrian gate in front of student reception and leave through the pedestrian gate in front of main reception. Students who are late and miss their time slot will be allowed entry but may have to wait until there are only a few students collecting results, therefore minimising the number of students inside at any one time.

I look forward seeing the students on Thursday morning.

Yours sincerely

P. White

Mr P White
Acting Head of School