

MIDDLEWICH HIGH SCHOOL Heidi Thurland BA (Hons 1st Class) NPQH Headteacher

Dear Yr11 & families,

Re: Arrangements for GCSE Results distribution

I am writing to you to let you know how the results day will work at MHS in the summer. I also wanted to take the opportunity to acknowledge your courage and resilience during this challenging period. All the grades have been submitted to the exam boards and we await their final grading decision. As you know, we are not allowed to share any information regarding submitted grades with you. The first time we are able to share information is on your results day when you will receive the awarded grades from each exam body. In this letter I hope that I can address questions you may have about the process going forward.

What date is GCSE results day? 20th August

When can I collect my results? We have organised the year group into collection 'bubbles'. You will arrive at the time allocated and go to the identified area – information below.

What if I am unhappy with my grades? The appeal's process is not a school-based process. In the past we would have submitted requests for re-marks. We are not able to do this on this occasion. The appeal's process, as we understand it, is for students to sit the exam in the Autumn term. As yet, we do not have the details for this, however, we are anticipating further guidance by GCSE results day so we can inform you of this on the day.

Will my teacher be on site? It is unlikely that your teacher will be onsite. We have to carefully manage staff mixing due to COVID19 social distancing measures. This means that we will have a skeleton staff available (identified later in this letter).

What if I need some advice? We will still have staff on site to provide advice, we will signpost you in your results pack if we feel you may benefit from a discussion with staff.

Will I be able to complain to my subject teacher if I am unhappy with the grade awarded? No. Please remember that the school has submitted the initial grades but the exam boards award the final grade and this is influenced by national performance. If you are unhappy you can address you concerns in writing to the Headteacher, however as stated above the appeal's process will be that you sit the exam in the autumn term.

If I do sit the exam in the Autumn term and I do worse than my summer result which graded stands? Our understanding is that the best of the two grades stands.

When can I collect my leaver's hoody? We will have your hoody ready for you alongside your exam results.

Collection Bubbles:

- Surnames A-G Sportshall 10.00-11.30 KHO
- Surnames H-N Drama Studio 10.00-11.30 HTD
- Surnames O-Y Sportshall 12.30 MED

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We understand you will want to meet other students who are also collecting results, however, we ask that you do not congregate on the school site or in the community in large groups and avoid physical contact with others whilst on school site. You will be allowed to open results in the sportshall/drama studio should you wish to do so.

We will be applying social distancing measures in the collection areas so we do ask that you adhere to these. We will also have sanitiser in place, which you will be expected to use prior to entering the school.

Staff support:

- Careers support Mrs Anderson & Ms Robinson
- SLT Mr Edwards, Ms Thurland, Miss Holt (in allocated areas)
- Mrs Edwards Examination Officer

We will do everything we can to make this experience as positive and supportive as possible, we appreciate you have missed out on many signature moments this year so we felt it was essential that we provide a face to face results experience for you.

We look forward to celebrating your success and helping you with your next steps.

Best wishes,

Heidi Thurland & all the Staff at MHS

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