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14th June 2021

Dear Parent/Guardian

2020-2021 has been a challenging year for all of us in Ysgol Rhiwabon and especially for our Year 11 students and families as they have negotiated through a new way of gaining their GCSE and vocational qualifications. Thanks to the hard work and positive attitude of the students and the tireless determination of the staff we are able to share the provisional Centre Determined Grades on Friday 18th June. The results remain provisional until formal publication on the official Results Day – 12th August, 2021.

Before I detail the arrangements for this Friday I realise that this is my last letter to you as our Year 11 families (Thank goodness I think you will be saying!) Friday is all about your child but I wanted to say a personal thank you to you on behalf of the Staff and Governors. We have all commented on the way you have supported the school and worked with us to ensure the grades have been determined with fairness and with as little stress as possible for our youngsters, whilst keeping them working hard. Of course we will miss Year 11, but we will miss you as well.

Arrangements for 18th June

To ensure the success of Friday we will need to maintain our Covid safety protocols, supported by the most recent advice from the Government set out below regarding end of year events in school. For this reason please check the points below with your child before they come to school on Friday 18th.

The following key principles should be built into the arrangements for school events.

- *You must not attend if you have any of the three main symptoms of COVID-19 (new persistent cough, fever and/or loss of taste or smell) and you should instead self-isolate and arrange a COVID-19 test.*
- *People should maintain social distancing, including outdoors.*
- *People should wash their hands regularly and follow other advice on hygiene.*
- *People must self-isolate when told to do so by NHS Wales Test, Trace, Protect.*
- *Face coverings should be worn indoors (subject to certain exemptions and exceptions).*

Year 11s will need to **ensure they have a face covering to come into the building.**

Collection of Provisional Results

Year 11 need to arrive between 1.30pm and 2pm, booking in at reception and then make their way to the School Library. Students can come to school in their casual clothes. I know some plan to dress to impress as this is their last afternoon in school until August.

Senior staff and the pastoral team will hand out the results and some quiet time will be provided for the students to look at them carefully and to ring home if they would like to.

Students will then go to their form rooms for the last tutor session. Here, there will be an opportunity for tutors to address any questions about the Centre Determined Grades.

I will be uploading a separate information sheet outlining the WJEC Appeals Procedure on the school website later this week and it will be enclosed with your child's results on Friday.

Celebration Event

Following tutor time there will be a Celebration Assembly from 2.30pm – 3.15pm.

Here I will have a chance to say a formal farewell from staff and then Mr Tonks and Form Tutors will be taking over with a more light hearted review of Year 11 and some of their funnier moments in school.

We hope to film this so our families can be part of the afternoon.

Buffet 3.30pm – 4.30pm

We will be providing a buffet for students and staff starting at 3.30pm when other years have left the site. Year 11 have asked for a pizza delivery and we will be providing other food as well. We have also booked the Tango Ice Blast van and this will be the only cost for the students (£3 - £5) if they want to buy from there.

We are really looking forward to seeing Year 11 on Friday and to celebrating their many achievements with them.

Thank you once again for all your support over the last five years.

With warmest wishes,



Melanie Ferron-Evans
Headteacher