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Dear Parents/Carers.

It has been widely reported in the news that the Examination Boards have now shared subject specific information on all the external examinations due to take place this summer. We are pleased that we now have a degree of clarity, and wanted to share the next steps.

All the information is freely available online, but JCQ (who oversees the various Examination Boards) has advised that, when researching the information, it is essential that pupils and students go directly to the relevant Examination Boards' websites, as there is a risk that there may be some mis-information on other websites. Therefore, accompanying this letter, is a document listing all subjects, with their relevant subject codes (as sometimes there are variations in exams within subjects run by the same Examination Boards) and the Examination Boards. The relevant websites are:

[AQA](#) - Click on the 2022 Exam Changes page, then use the "Find Changes" for your subject, and search by level and subject to open a pdf.

[OCR](#) - Scroll down to advance information for OCR qualifications and open the pdf.

[Pearson Edexcel](#) - Scroll to the middle of the "Summer 2022 Support" page, then to "Advance Information Now Available", then open either of the Zip files on GCSE - Advance Information or AS and A level - Advance information. Then you will need to open the subject file.

[WJEC Eduqas](#) - Scroll down on Advance Information page to subjects, then click on qualification to open the pdf.

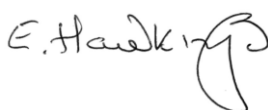
**NCFE** - There is no Advance subject information.

**Heads of Department and teachers are currently preparing summaries** to clarify the subject advice. This will help our pupils and students to understand the changes that have been made, which will in turn help them with revision for their summer examinations. Unfortunately, there does not appear to be consistency between subjects, with some offering detailed advice on areas of the curriculum to focus on, whilst others have given very little help. **One very important point is that where advice has been given, it focuses on help for questions with multiple marks. However, there may be short questions on areas not listed, as guidance would possibly reveal actual questions rather than a general guide.**

We are aiming to get subject summaries of the Advance Information to candidates by the end of this week, either in paper form provided during lessons or via Show My Homework. This will mean that pupils and students can make use of the "Advance Information" if they are intending to do some examination preparation work during half-term. You will also find attached an Information Guide for Students from the JCQ, which your son/daughter may find helpful.

I do hope that this information provides clarity on the Advance Information, where it can be accessed on websites, and how we will be providing summaries.

Yours sincerely



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