

## Dear Parent/Carer

I hope everyone is keeping well. We have made a good start to the new term and are now able to confirm with you that the last formal day of Year 13 teaching will be Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May, 2021.

It is essential that all students continue to attend their lessons up to this date in order that final assessments can be undertaken and Centre Determined Grades allocated.

In a small number of cases it may be necessary for certain subjects to request that their students attend school on specific occasions during the two weeks immediately after the half term break, until Friday 18<sup>th</sup> June, 2021. Although this is unlikely to be the case for the majority Year 13 students, it is nevertheless essential that we are able to ensure that all students have been able to complete necessary assessments as part of the evidence based Centre Determined Grades process. We will, of course, contact all students who may be needed to attend school during this period. There will be no requirement for any Year 13 students to attend school from 21<sup>st</sup> June, 2021 for formal teaching or assessment.

Please be aware that a good deal of further information with regard to the allocation of Centre Determined Grades is now available on our school website, including the School Assessment Policy and Subject Assessment Plans.

Please remember that A-Level Results Day this year is on Tuesday 10th August, 2021. We hope to be able to distribute results in school between the hours of 8am and 12 noon. However, this is dependent upon any Covid related restrictions which are still necessary at that time. Therefore, we propose to contact you with clarification about this event nearer the time. Mr. Kevin Davies will be available on all dates to advice/help students on their future pathways particularly regarding university places.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish all our Year 13 students the very best in any forthcoming assessments. The resilience demonstrated by so many in such challenging circumstances speaks volumes about the calibre of student we have at Castell Alun. Please remember that we are always here for our students in order to offer support and guidance as you deem it necessary. Thank you for all of the support which you provide for our students at home. It is indeed a shame that there will be no traditional Leaving Ceremony for this cohort this year due to the pandemic; however, it would be lovely to see our students again and we ask they all keep in touch with us as they move onto pastures new.

Best wishes,

Mr. C. Ellis, Headteacher.