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## Secondary School Exams Update 5

*Further information after CAIE statement*

*Wednesday, April 01, 2020*

Dear Parents,

As promised, I am writing to you with additional information released from Cambridge Assessment International Examinations (CAIE), regarding the awarding of grades for IGCSE, AS, and A Level candidates. I have summarised this information below.

CAIE have asked us to start to consider what evidence we are able to gather as a school to support the awarding of grades for the May/June 2020 exam session.

Examples of evidence suggested include:

- Mock exam results (End of year mock exam results we hope)
- Formally assessed course work, including internal tests and homework assignments
- AS Level results for 'staged-route' A Level candidates (This applies to Y13 students meaning the grade they achieved in their AS can be used as evidence for what they should achieve in the A Level)

The letter states that it is up to each school to individually determine how to best carry out the necessary internal assessment and to inform Cambridge, with evidence needed to substantiate the grades awarded.

We do not intend to use results achieved in the midyear mock exams as they are not universally indicative of student ability, as only a portion of the content was assessed and also because students do not traditionally treat the midyear mock exams as seriously as they do the end of year external exams. It is essential therefore that additional assessment be carried out in the months ahead, including both course work and timed assessments. It is our intention at this stage, in addition to assigned coursework, to carry out end of year mock exams, similar to the externally marked exams, in May/June, once students have returned to school. We have approximately two months to carry out this process of internal assessment, with the final deadline being around the beginning of June.

Any evidence we submit of assessment completed will need to be authenticated by teachers, myself, and Mr Peet to ensure the work has been completed by each student independently.

**CAIE will provide further details in regard to a timeline and how we will be expected to process this information next week on Tuesday, April 07.**

**I will write to all parents again on Wednesday, April 8, with additional information.**

We thank you again for your patience and support as we work together as a community to be manage this situation in the best interest of our students, in line with the guidance provided by CAIE, Edexcel, the Universities, and the Department for Education in the UK.

Sincerely,

Matt Tansley  
Head of Secondary

Miercuri, 1 Aprilie 2020

## Actualizare informatii nr. 5 privind Examenele din Scoala Gimnaziala

*Informatii suplimentare dupa anuntul CAIE*

*Miercuri, 1 Aprilie, 2020*

Stimati parinti,

Asa cum am discutat, revin cu informatii suplimentare emise de catre Centrul de Examinare Internationala Cambridge (CAIE), in ceea ce priveste acordarea notelor candidatilor IGCSE, AS, si A Level. Mai jos regasiti informatiile primite.

CAIE ne-a solicitat sa incepem sa ne gandim ce dovezi am putea furniza ca scoala astfel incat sa sprijinim acordarea notelor pentru sesiunea Mai/ Iunie 2020.

Cateva exemple sugerate ar fi:

- Rezultatele obtinute la simularile de examene( Speram ca rezultatele la simularile de sfarsit de an)
- Evaluari oficiale ale activitatilor de curs, inclusiv teste interne si teme
- Rezultatele obtinute la materiile de AS Level pentru candidatii de A level (Se aplica la elevii de anul 13 insemnand nota obtinuta la AS poate servi ca si proba pentru cat ar trebui sa obtina la A level)

Scrisoarea spune ca decizia de a face o cat mai buna evaluare interna si de a informa Cambridge revine fiecărei scoli in parte, astfel incat sa ofere dovezile necesare pentru a oferi un fundament acestor note.

Nu intentionam sa folosim rezultatele obtinute la simularile din mijlocul anului deoarece nu sunt un indicator universal al capacitatilor elevilor, deoarece la aceste examene se evalueaza doar o parte din materie si de asemenea elevii nu trateaza cu aceeasi seriozitate aceste examene asa cum trateaza examenele externe de sfarsit de an. Prin urmare, este esential sa organizam evaluari suplimentare in lunile urmatoare, inclusiv activitatile la curs cat si evaluari cronologice. Intentia noastra, in momentul de fata, este ca, pe langa temele alocate, sa organizam simulari de sfarsit de an, asemanatoare celor externe, in perioada Mai/Iunie, cand elevii se vor intoarce la scoala. Avem la dispozitie aproximativ 2 luni sa organizam aceste evaluari interne, termenul final fiind la inceputul lunii Iunie.

Orice dovada transmisa va trebui sa fie autentificata de catre profesori, de catre mine si de catre dl Peet pentru a ne asigura ca lucrarea a fost efectuata in intregime de fiecare elev individual.

**CAIE va oferi informatii suplimentare in ceea ce priveste programul si modalitatea in care se vor procesa toate aceste informatii, saptamana viitoare Marti, 7 Aprilie.**

**Voi trimite o noua scrisoare Miercuri, 8 Aprilie, cu informatiile suplimentare.**

Va multumim din nou pentru rabdarea si sprijinul de care dati dovada pe parcursul acestui proces la care lucram impreuna ca si comunitate astfel incat sa fie in interesul copiilor, conform indrumarilor oferite de CAIE, Edexcel, Universitati si Departamentul de Educatie din UK.

Cu stima,

Matt Tansley  
Director Scoala Gimnaziala

