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Email to Year 11 & 13 Students 2021 GCSE/A Level Grading Webinar

Dear Parent/Carer

I am writing to confirm that a link to a pre-recorded webinar focussing on the 2021 GCSE/A Level grading process at NSB will be emailed to all parents and carers on Friday, April 23rd (this is a slight adjustment from the previously advertised date).

The webinar will support the information covered in the letter from the Headmaster issued to all Year 11/13 parents/carers at the end of last term which detailed the grading process that we are undertaking at the school. The webinar will also provide additional information on special consideration and access arrangements.

Parents/carers who have any questions following the webinar should send the questions to grading@nsb.northants.sch.uk and the school will respond to all questions as soon as we are able to do so.

Year 13 A Level students will finish school after they have completed their last Term 5 assessment although students may be required to come back in to complete practical coursework during the week of May 24th - 28^{th} . Reserve papers for students forced to isolate during the Term 5 assessment window will be sat during the week of May $24^{\text{th}} - 28^{\text{th}}$ and potentially June $7^{\text{th}} - 11^{\text{th}}$.

Year 11 GCSE students may also be asked to come back in to complete practical coursework during the week of May $24^{\text{th}} - 28^{\text{th}}$. Reserve papers for students forced to isolate during the Term 5 assessment window will be sat during the week of May $24^{\text{th}} - 28^{\text{th}}$ and potentially June $7^{\text{th}} - 11^{\text{th}}$.

In line with a recently released government directive to all schools and following the Term 5 assessment process at NSB, Year 11 students will still have part-time educational provision after the end of Term 5 up until the official national school leaving date of Friday, June 25th. For the majority of students this will mainly be undertaking Sixth Form preparation work remotely (off site) but we will also be running some on site educational activities for the whole year group (dates to be confirmed). Further details will be sent to Year 11 parents/carers as soon as the plans are finalised.

Yours faithfully

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