



# St Augustine's Catholic College

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Dear Parents/Carers

## Pre-Exams Information

We are nearing the start of the 2023 examinations. This is the time where our students will be able to demonstrate their knowledge and skills following two years of hard work in the subjects they have studied. Before the exams begin I would like to make you aware of the support that will be available to our students when they collect their results in August.

**I also need you to be aware of resources produced by The Joint Council for Qualifications (JCQ) that give students instructions on the rules around sitting examinations. It is essential that you and your son/daughter understand these.** Below, the details of these are outlined for you. If you have any questions about any of the information in this letter please contact Dominic Bailey, Assistant Headteacher with responsibility for examinations on the following email address: [baileyd@sta.cc](mailto:baileyd@sta.cc).

### Exam contingency days:

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> June and Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> June (afternoons only) and Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> June (all day) have been designated by the awarding bodies as 'contingency days' for examinations. The designation of 'contingency days' within the examination timetable is in case of national or local disruption to examinations. It is part of the awarding bodies' standard contingency planning for examinations and should be kept free by candidates.

### Results days:

A Level Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> August 2023

GCSE Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> August 2023

On results days a number of senior members of staff and our careers advisor will be available to support students who need advice in a range of areas:

- University placements and UCAS
- Careers
- Entry to 6<sup>th</sup> Form
- Entry to post 16 college courses
- Post results services

### Post results services:

These services enable students to have a clerical recheck of marks or a review of marking in the event that a student feels there has been a mistake. Our policy for this process can be accessed using the link below:

[Post results services](#)

**JCQ Information for candidates' documents:**

[Warning to candidates](#)

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For further additional information on the 2023 examinations please visit the college website examinations page:

[Exams page](#)

As we did for the mock exams there will be assemblies for Year 11 and Year 13 students in the next week during which students will be clearly reminded of what is expected of them in relation to sitting examinations in line with the JCQ regulations.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish your son/daughter the very best of luck for the upcoming examinations.

Your sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D Bailey', with a long, sweeping underline.

**Mr Dominic Bailey**

Assistant Headteacher Curriculum & Assessment