

Dear Students

Good Morning. Every year I draft a final letter addressed to our 'Y13 leavers' and I cannot believe the time has come for me to draft that very letter to you all. I am sure you will agree with me when I say that the year has flown by and I do not think any of us could have anticipated how the year, or even the last two years, would have gone.

Despite the disruption caused by Covid-19 and the uniqueness of the situations we sometimes found ourselves in, I am extremely proud of the way that you carried yourselves through your 6th Form journey, and in particular, your final year. We, as teachers, have had the pleasure of seeing you mature and prosper and I feel assured that you will leave TSFA with a sense of purpose, a moral sense of direction and the personal virtues required to face life's many challenges and opportunities.

So, we turn our attention to your next steps. Below is some formal guidance on how results will be issued and what support is available:

- On Tuesday 10 August you will receive your results via email. The results will arrive via PDF format document and will be emailed directly to you via your academy email address.
- You are therefore not required to physically attend the academy on results day unless you have been invited to attend. However, you will have the opportunity to book a meeting with the PPT (Personal Progress Tutors) team to discuss your next steps, address any last-minute decision making or look at UCAS clearing opportunities, if you wish to do so. If you are keen to attend in person, please contact hashton@sixth.trinitymat.org so, we can arrange for you to meet with the PPT team.
- Once you have received your PDF summary of results, this document will provide the evidence required to confirm arrangements with the institution you are looking to move to for the next stage of your education.
- All students were aware of the work which would make up their portfolio in each subject, understanding that it was the content of their portfolio which would be used to determine their grade. The academy used the exam board guidance and grade descriptors to assess each grade and are confident in the accuracy of those submitted. These grades have now been moderated.
- The Office of Qualifications and Examinations Regulation (Ofqual) have in place a process for centres to conduct reviews of results and for students to appeal their results (via their examination centres – i.e., through us). This review / appeal process will follow the specified Ofqual guidance which places clear limits on the grounds for appeal. If, after receiving their results, you would like to discuss your results they will have an opportunity to do so (details will be available in the email you receive on results day). However, at that point, should you wish to officially submit a request for a centre review, we would ask that you complete the following form: https://www.jcq.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/06/JCQ_Appeals-Guidance_Summer-2021_Appendix-B.pdf.

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- Please read the guidance on the opening page very carefully, as it includes full details of the deadlines for submission and confirms that your original grade could be either lowered, raised, or remain the same after the review / appeal.

There will also be the opportunity to book a pre-allocated time slot on Wednesday 11 August, which will allow you to come in for a face-to-face meeting (or a telephone meeting, if preferred) with a member of staff at the academy to offer guidance. Please also be aware that we are unable to accept any student into the academy building who does not have a pre-arranged meeting.

I will finish with some words from the PLG:

This wasn't the sixth form experience we were expecting, or indeed hoping for, but we made the most of it, which shows our character more than anything else. Through instability and lockdowns, that seemed to be infinite, we had the drive to make sure we met our personal goals. Nobody will claim this has been the ideal Sixth Form experience but we have worked hard nonetheless. The skills we have had to develop due to the challenges presented have prepared us for a lifetime of courage, resilience and being life ready learners.

Thank you, James.

Hi everyone! I would like to thank you all for helping the year 12s settle in so well and create a comfortable sixth form environment for us given everyone's circumstances. I know it hasn't been a pleasant year, but you made it to the end and all your hard work will pay off and I hope you achieve what you are hoping to.

Best of luck for the future, Gulay (Current HG)

Thank you to every year 13 student, who I had the pleasure of meeting, for creating such a welcoming environment and thank you for helping me settle into the building so easily. Doing your A-levels during a pandemic takes a completely different level of toughness and resilience, but regardless of the difficulties you've faced you've pulled through! Good luck on results day and I wish you all the best in the future.

Connor (Current HB)

Best wishes and good luck.

Yours sincerely



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