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Dear Parent/Carer

Contingency Dates for the External Exams of Summer 2024

We need to make you aware of contingency dates for the external exams of summer of 2024. The Joint Council of Qualifications (JCQ) who regulate exams across the country, have named the afternoons of both Thursday 6th and Thursday 13th of June and all of Wednesday 26th of June as contingency days for exams. These days are in place in case there are any disruptions to the running of the summer exam season. If there are disruptions, then these are the allocated times that exams will be rescheduled to.

Therefore, students need to be available to sit exams at these times even if they currently don't have a timetabled exam for those days. JCQ are clear that if a student is not available and one of their exams is rescheduled to a contingency day, they will not be eligible for special consideration by the exam boards. In other words, they will not receive any marks for that paper and will not be able to sit it on an alternative day.

Of course, we hope that these contingency days will not be needed, and they are merely a precaution, but we must pass on the JCQ information to you and request that students are available on the **6, 13 and 26 of June** as explained above.

This is also a useful sheet for students in preparing both for their forthcoming mock exams as well as the summer exams https://www.jcq.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/08/JCQ-Preparing-to-sit-your-exams-2023_24.pdf

Yours faithfully

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