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Dear Parent/Carer

Re: Letter for learners from Qualifications Wales

As we reach the end of a very hectic half term, I would like to extend my thanks to you for the support you have given your child. I would also like to congratulate our wonderful students who have shown such resilience and commitment to their assessments and have coped incredibly well in very challenging circumstances.

Please find the attached letter from Qualifications Wales which provides an update on the Centre Determined Grades process and includes new information regarding how to request a review if your child believes that there has been an error when determining a grade.

I will also be adding a copy of this letter to our Assessment 2021 webpage on our school website.

The letter highlights a number of key points about this process:

1. CDGs are evidence based

The Centre Determined Grades are evidence based and will be determined by the evidence gathered in the assessments this summer. Past work may be taken into account in order to confirm a grade.

2. Provisional grades will be shared by the end of June for QW-accredited qualifications

For qualifications which are overseen by Qualifications Wales, provisional grades will be shared, via your child's school email account, along with the learner decision record by the end of June. Your child will receive the learner decision record so that they can see how the grade has been determined.

3. Ofqual-accredited grades will not be shared until results are published in August

For qualifications which are overseen by Ofqual, which includes vocational qualifications and qualifications with English boards, grades and learner decision records will not be shared until they are published on 10th or 12th August when they will be emailed out via your child's school email account.

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4. Reviews/appeals process

There is a review/appeal process which has three stages, the first being the Stage 1 Centre review. This will take place in June/July for QW qualifications and in August for Ofqual-accredited qualifications. A Stage 2 review would be undertaken once results are published and when a Stage 1 Centre review has been completed. The Stage 2 review will be undertaken by the WJEC and the school will submit the request on your behalf.

5. Requesting a centre review

A review can be requested where a learner believes that there has been an error in the determination of a grade. Learners must give a reason why they believe there has been an error in the determination of their grade.

Where a review is requested, grades can go up, down or remain the same.

I hope you find the letter and the information it contains helpful and that you feel you have a clear understanding of this important process. As always, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me by email: jmorgan@sjhs.newport.sch.uk.

I would like to wish you and your family a safe, healthy and happy half term break and to those parents whose students will not be returning to us in September, thank you for your continued commitment to your child's education over the years. We will miss your children but know that they will move on, and will continue to make us all very proud.

Yours sincerely

Mrs J Morgan
Deputy Headteacher

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