

6 December 2022

Consultation Outcome

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you and your families are well.

Year 11 students continue to work hard and take pride in all that they do, and I am confident they will all achieve incredible results this summer. I am also pleased to report that an announcement has been made to support students in GCSE Mathematics and Science this academic year.

On Wednesday 30th November 2022, Ofqual and the Department for Education provided an update regarding the consultation for proposed changes to the assessment of GCSE Mathematics, Physics and Combined Science GCSE's for 2023. Please see the brief summary below:

Ofqual and the Department for Education (DfE) [confirmed in September](#) that GCSE, AS and A level exams in England will largely return to pre-pandemic arrangements next summer as young people continue to recover from the pandemic.

DfE has also announced that, in 2023, students are not required to memorise formulae for GCSE Mathematics and equations for GCSE Physics and Combined Science. This reflects their responsibility for GCSE subject content, and was a change that was also made for exams that took place in 2022.

A consultation was published seeking views on the [proposal to carry forward to 2023 the arrangements in place in 2022](#), which required the provision of formulae and revised equation sheets in exams in GCSE Mathematics, Physics and Combined Science.

The consultation ran from Thursday 29 September to Thursday 20 October 2022 and received 8,189 responses. A full summary and analysis of the responses has been published at the same time as this decision document.

Please see the link below for the detailed report regarding the consultation.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/proposed-changes-to-the-assessment-of-mathematics-physics-and-combined-science-gcses-in-2023/outcome/assessment-of-mathematics-physics-and-combined-science-gcses-in-2023-consultation-decisions>

If you do have any queries or specific questions, please do not hesitate to contact your child's tutor, class teacher or staff from the Year 11 leadership team.

Yours sincerely,

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