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Dear Parent/Carer

### **Progress Exams Series 1**

Please log onto Go4Schools to access your child's Progress Examination grades. A guide to the different grades available on Go4Schools can be found at the bottom of this letter.

The Progress Exams series gave students the experience of revising for and sitting an examination in their chosen courses. I hope that you and your child are proud of the results they have achieved and now appreciate the amount of time and application they will need to invest to be successful in their GCSE's.

Please bear in mind that each grade is awarded based on the exam(s) that your child sat. In some cases, this may be based on just part of the complete course and in others the content of the examination(s) may have been reflective of the full specification. If your child missed a Progress Exam due to illness please be reassured, they will not be disadvantaged and these factors can and will be taken into account.

Now that grades have been released, please take some time to consider how to support your child to improve their attainment. Students should act on any verbal or written feedback from their subject teachers and reflect upon how they approached the exam series. It is important to reflect on revision and preparation strategies that worked well. Additionally, they should be proactive in determining what they need to do to improve in each of their subjects.

### **Progress Exams Series 2**

The next set of Progress Exams will commence on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> February until Friday 10<sup>th</sup> March. Further support for students will be put in place following these in advance of the final GCSE examinations. The timetable for these exams can be found in the following location [Progress Exams Timetable \(March\).xlsx \(arthurterry.bham.sch.uk\)](http://arthurterry.bham.sch.uk)

Please note, on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> March (afternoon) there is clash between History and Design Technology/Textiles. As per JCQ regulations, students with this clash, will sit both papers back-to-back. Design Technology/Textiles will be sat first, followed by History. Due to the length of both papers, the exam will run past the end of the school day.

### **Support for Students**

School will continue to support students to achieve to the best of their ability. It is vital that all our students continue to attend and apply themselves in their lessons as this is where they will receive the most detailed knowledge and feedback in each subject area.

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Students will be led by their subject teachers in how to improve on their current grade and any specific interventions which are on offer. Form Tutors, Progress Leaders and Key Stage Leaders will also be available to students should they be required.

If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact the Year 11 team.

Yours faithfully

Year 11 Team

Guide to Go4Schools grades and terms:

**Overall target** – This is a challenging grade for you to aspire to, based on your average GCSE point score.

**UCAS grade** – This is an optimistic estimate of your outcome from your teachers; it is determined at the start of Year 13.

**Assessment Projection** – This reflects your actual achievement on the course over time. This changes over time as more assessments are completed.

**Progress Exam grade** – This is the grade achieved in the paper that was conducted in exam conditions in December. This does not represent achievement in the full course.