



St Edward's School

Unity - Achievement - Faith

16th July 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we consider how to publish results for Year 11 and Year 13 students we had hoped to be able to welcome students on site. However, for a number of reasons this will not be possible this year.

The health and wellbeing of our students, families and staff has been at the forefront of our planning over the last four months and as much as we would want to be welcome students back on site we do not believe it would be wise at this time. We make this decision in the light of current government advice and guidance, but also mindful of the fact that guidance could change at a time when the number of staff on site and the ability to adapt planning is at its lowest.

Furthermore, while we are aware that it could be possible to have a number of outside distribution points around the site where students could go to collect results at a social distance and at pre-set times, we also recognise that this would be far from ideal if the weather is inclement or if a student and their parents wish to have a private conversation in order to get further support and guidance.

We will therefore be emailing results out directly to students on the designated result day. This will ensure all students have access to their results at the same time, and some are not left waiting until later in the day to find out how they got on. We will also be including with the results, detailed information about how to book an on-line appointment with one of our specialist staff advisors straight away, to discuss any issues or concerns that students may have.

GDPR guidance stipulates that results can only be sent to students themselves and we will, therefore, be using students' school email addresses. We would strongly recommend that students check that they still have access to these email addresses by logging in over the next day or two. If any students have issues accessing their email they can contact us via heretohelp@st-edwards.poole.sch.uk during the week beginning Monday August 17th and ahead of results day on Thursday August 20th.

This decision has been a difficult one for the school to make, particularly since we recognise that our Year 11 and Y13 students were not able to go through many of the traditional rites of passage that usually take place as they reach the end of the respective courses. However, in order to gather again as a community and to celebrate all of our students' successes we look forward to hosting our traditional Autumn Celebration evening, either on site or remotely, as circumstances allow, on Thursday 17th September.

We continue to be very proud of all our students and how they have adapted to these times and will share more details of that evening when we contact you in the summer, but please do make a note of the date now.

Thank you for your continued support as we continue to make decisions that keep us all safe whilst recognising the hard work of our students.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Barnett
Deputy Headteacher