

Update for IB A2 parents

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Dear IB parents,

We hope you are safe and well.

On Friday 27 March the IB published their outline plan for how they will assess Diploma pupils this year.

The IB have decided to base the pupil's final grade on a combination of their Internal Assessment marks, predicted grades, and data analysis from previous examination sessions. They will also use historical centre data. Diploma pupils are in a different position from A level pupils because so much of their final grades are decided by Internal Assessments. We are confident that the grades awarded will be as fair as they can be under the current circumstances.

The Internal Assessments uploaded by Bryanston will be externally marked and moderated by the IB. In order to preserve academic integrity we, along with every IB school we have consulted, will not be allowing pupils to revisit Internal Assessments.

CAS (Creativity, Activity, Service) reflections have to be signed off by 1 June at the latest. CAS supervisors will be in contact with their pupils in due course to organise the pupils' final interviews. Therefore, we would strongly advise A2 IB pupils to review their CAS programme and make sure their reflections are as full and up to date as possible.

The IB have confirmed that the publication of this year's results will remain 5 July 2020.

Once we have confirmation from the UK government about how A levels will be assessed we will have a clearer sense of the shape of next term for all A2 pupils. We would hope that IB pupils will be able to join the pre-university course that we are currently constructing. More details will follow, but we believe that this rich and rewarding programme, which will include having access to successful Old Bryanstonians (OBs), together with OBs who are currently at university, will be extremely useful as our A2s plan the next stage of their academic and professional careers. We will do everything we can to support you during this challenging time.

Yours sincerely,

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RE: Update for IB A2 parents

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