



St Benedict's Catholic High School

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1 July 2025

Dear Parents, Carers and Students

RE: Examination Results Days and Enquiries about Results

Results Days Arrangements

Now that the A level and L3 Vocational examinations have been completed, I would like to take this opportunity to remind you of some key dates with regards to the examination results. The examination results are published on Thursday 14 August and will be emailed to students' school email address from 08:00 that morning. Please ensure that you are able to receive your school emails **before the end of term** and contact the IT support team if you are having any problems.

Students are also invited to come into school to collect their results between 08:30 and 11:00 on the 14 August. This can be a great opportunity to meet with their fellow students and celebrate their results and time in school together one last time.

If students are not able to collect the results themselves but would like someone else to collect them on their behalf, please inform the Examinations Officer at school letting us know who will be collecting the results. The named person will also need to bring with them a signed letter from the student giving permission for them to be given the results. If the school is not informed in advance, then unfortunately, we will not be able to give the results to anybody except the student themselves.

Enquiries About Results (EAR)

There is often a discussion around "re-marks" when students, or the school, feel that there may have been a mistake in either the marking or the grading of a particular subject for a particular student. Hopefully, this will not be the case and all students will be happy with their results. However if this does happen then it may be possible to submit an "Enquiry About Results" known as an EAR.

There is a clear procedure for this set out by the examination boards and very strict deadlines for making such an enquiry. In most cases these enquiries request either an "administrative check" to make sure that the marks have been recorded and added up correctly and / or a "review of marking." A review of marking is NOT a remark of the paper. If this is requested then the affected paper(s) are looked at again by a senior examiner at the exam board who will determine if the mark-scheme has been applied correctly and that the mark awarded is deemed to be reasonable. This means that the paper is not actually remarked by the senior examiner, the original marking is checked to see if it is in line with the mark-scheme.



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It is also important to note that if an EAR is requested then the marks, and as a result, grades can go down as well as up if the senior examiner feels that the original marker was too generous in their marking.

If, after receiving your results, you wish to consider an EAR then there are certain steps that have to be taken. It is essential that you contact the Examinations Officer and the Class Teacher/Subject Leader as soon as possible, ideally on results day. They will then be able to discuss the process with you and take the appropriate actions. There are very strict deadlines for the process which are given in the table below. In some subjects the first step will be to request access to see the script. This will allow staff to look at your paper and then help determine if they think an enquiry is likely to be successful, either as a clerical check or a review of marking. For all script access requests and EARs students will need to complete and sign a form confirming that they understand that the enquiry may result in the grade staying the same, increasing or decreasing as a result of the review and that this review grade is final. There is also an exam board fee, per paper reviewed, for each individual enquiry. If the enquiry results in a change to the awarded grade the fee is returned. The school's examinations appeal policy is also available on the school website.

Date	Deadline
14 August 2025	L3 Vocational / A level Results Published
21 August 2025	Deadline to request "Priority" Review of Marking
25 September	Deadline to request Review of Marking

University applications, offers and "Clearing"

UCAS will update their offers online at approximately 8.15am on results day.

You will receive one of four possible outcomes:

1. Confirmed place at Firm Choice
2. Confirmed place at Insurance Choice
3. Revised Course at Firm/ Insurance
4. Unsuccessful and thus in Clearing

Mr Hamilton will be available in school on both Thursday 14 and Friday 15 to assist and advise with any UCAS issues.

Yours faithfully

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