



Penryn  
College

"Achieving through Challenge"

December 2021

Dear Parent/Carer(s)

### Summary assessments and Live Assessment

As the term draws to a close we wanted to take this opportunity to say a well done to all our students on their work and efforts.

Each subject has a different number of units and assessments throughout the year, and some subjects have recently had assessments. Assessments for some subjects are ongoing and continue to be updated. As these are completed, the most recent assessment grade and a short learning summary can be seen on the Virtual School. This can easily be found by logging in as a parent/carers, then going to 'view profile' and then the 'Live Assessment' tab.

In January 2022 you will be given a summary outlining your child's target grade and most recent assessment grade.

The grading used for assessments follows DfE and Ofqual guidance. The grade scale runs from 9 (the highest grade) to 1 (the lowest grade), and we know that for some learners achieving a grade is a significant accomplishment. The following is taken directly from the DfE Government website about gradings where there are some comparisons that can be drawn to the old system:

- This system has more higher grades compared to the old A\* to G grades.
- The bottom of a grade 7 is comparable to the bottom of the old grade A,
- The bottom of a new grade 4 is comparable to the bottom of the old grade C.
- The bottom of the new grade 1 is comparable to the bottom of the old grade G.

As a school we encourage all our learners to aim high and a grade 5 is known as a 'good pass' and grade 4 is known as a 'standard pass'. More information can be found on the DfE website, under Ofqual.

If you have any further questions, please don't hesitate to contact us on 01326 372379 or by email [secretary@penryn-college.cornwall.sch.uk](mailto:secretary@penryn-college.cornwall.sch.uk)

Yours faithfully

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