

Dear Parent/Carer,

We are writing to inform you that the school fire alarm went off during the GCSE Chemistry exam today. It was set off by a piece of equipment in the school and was a false alarm. In accordance with the school evacuation procedures and in accordance with the exams regulations from JCQ, the GCSE was stopped and all year 11 students were evacuated, in exam conditions, to their normal muster points.

All students were supervised by and exam conditions were maintained throughout.

When the triggered alarm was rectified, the students were escorted back into the exam room and the exam was re-started. All students will have their full allocated time for their exam and a special consideration will be lodged by the school to the exam board to make them aware of the situation and for them to consider when awarding grades.

Mr O'Brien