

30 June 2020

Dear Year 11 Students and Parents/Carers

RE: GCSE Results Day

As you have no doubt guessed, the arrangements for the distribution of examination results are not like previous years' arrangements and will be as follows:

When: Thursday 20 August

Time: 8.30am

How: via Edulink

In order to ensure a safe environment and the equitable distribution of results, we have taken the decision to distribute results to the students via Edulink. These will appear automatically on results day at 8.30am. Instructions for accessing these are below. Students are able to test this in advance but will not be able to see results until this day. Please note that parents will not be able to see results in Edulink as the results are owned by students.

Members of the Senior Leadership Team will be available on Thu 20 August and Friday 21 August to support any students and parents who feel that they need advice following receipt of the results. Appointments can be booked with them between 10am and 3pm via the parental Edulink account. If you do not know your Edulink details please email moodle@rmgs.org.uk with your child's name and date of birth for a reminder. Please check your junk mail for a response as the emails sometimes go there. Students are welcome to attend with or without parents/carers.

Miss Jobbins, Careers Adviser, will be available via email sjobbins@rmgs.org.uk

The school's admission to the 6th Form criteria remain as:

- (i) Examination results at GCSE which confirm an adequate base level: at least 8 GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English Language and Mathematics and a grade 5 or above in either Mathematics or English (Language or Literature) and a total point score of 46, based on the applicant's best 8 subject grades;
- (ii) Subject choice: most subjects have entry requirements; for most subjects students will be expected to have achieved at least grade 6 in those subjects at GCSE. Please consult the 6th form prospectus for detailed subject entry criteria;
- (iii) Existing RMGS students who meet our entry requirements at the end of Year 11 are guaranteed a place.

Please remember that the school is not allowed to reveal grades prior to results day. The grades that will be awarded are the product of the centre assessed grades (CAGs) arrived at by teachers and the government's application of a formula to those grades designed to prevent grade inflation.

The centre assessed grades may be available on request following results day, but the final decision on this has not yet been made by the government. Guidance at the moment says that the only information that might be available would pertain to your child only. No rank order or other students' grades can be released in the spirit of GDPR. The current Ofqual guidance is below.

Students, we wish you the very best of luck for results day and beyond and are looking forward to a time when we can celebrate your success properly. Our current plan is for Presentation Evening to take place in school on Monday 14th December at 2.00pm and we will write to you with more details nearer the time.

We wish you and your family a restful summer and wish you well for life beyond RMGS.

Yours sincerely,

Emma Horstrup
Deputy Headteacher

Ofqual Guidance re Appeals

Ofqual is still to confirm whether centres can divulge the centre assessment grade and rank to students following the publication of results. Once they have received their result, students will have the right to:

- ask their centre to check whether they made an error when submitting a centre assessment grade and including them in the centre's rank order;
- raise a complaint to their centre if they have evidence of bias or that they were discriminated against; they could also pass such evidence on to the exam board who could investigate for potential malpractice.

Students **cannot** appeal against their school or college's centre assessment grades and position in the rank order for the following reasons:

- the appeal would have to be undertaken by someone better placed than the student's teachers to judge the grade they would likely have received if the exams had taken place – in the unique circumstances of this summer Ofqual does not believe there is any such person;
- an appeal would also require students to have access to the information their school or college put forward before being submitted to exam boards. This may compromise the reliability of this year's approach;
- if one student successfully appealed against their position in the rank order, it would have negative implications for other students who would, in turn, need to be given an opportunity to appeal.

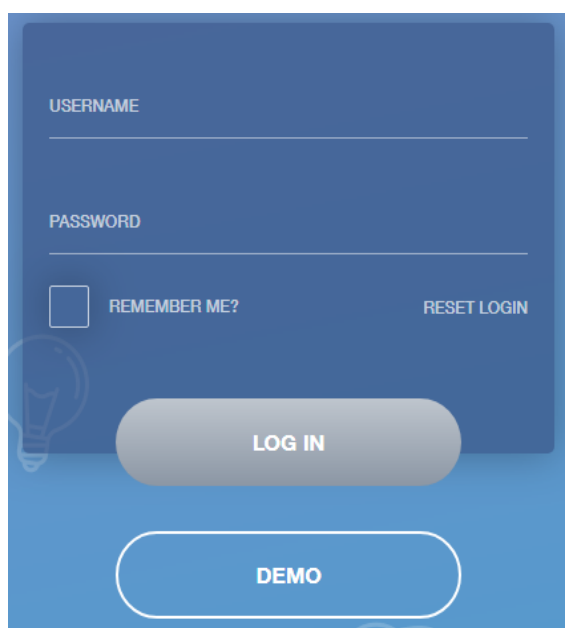
A Student Guide to Viewing Exam Results in Edulink

There are two ways to use Edulink One: through a web browser like Google Chrome or through an app you can download to use on your mobile device. The Edulink One app is available for iOS and Android devices.

Web Browser Instructions

This is our school's individual login link if you use a browser to log in.

<https://rainhammark.edulinkone.com/#!/login>



Enter your **username** and **password** to login. This is your school username and password. If you do not have this then please email moodle@rmgs.org.uk from your personal email with your School username and your name asking for a reset.

Downloading and Using the App

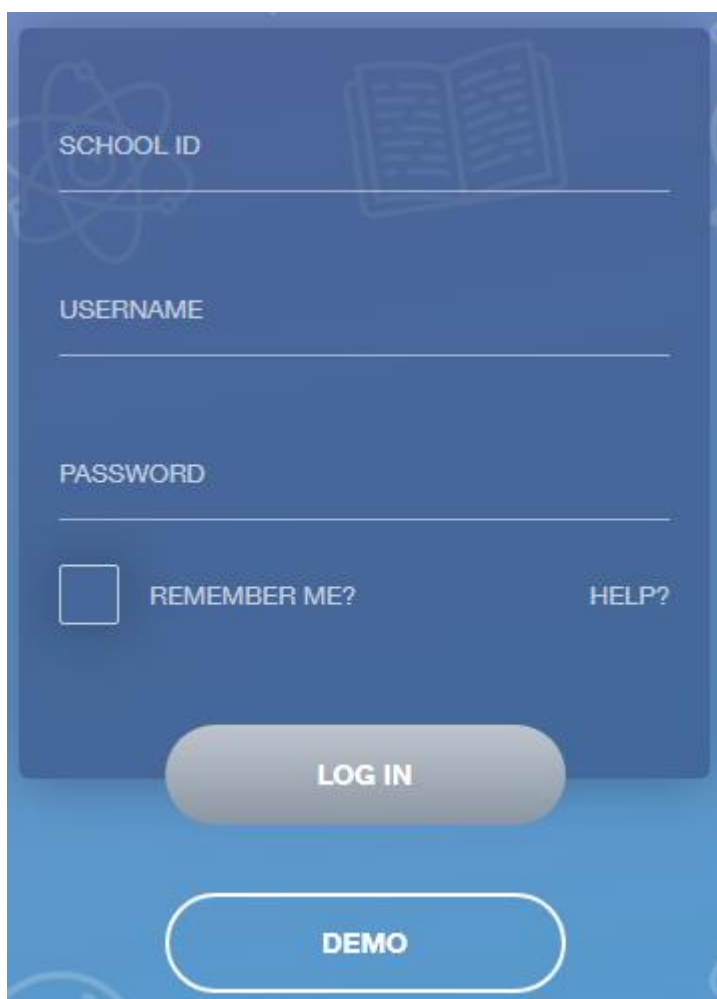
The Edulink One app is available for iOS and Android devices. You can download from these links or search in the App or Play stores.

Apple App Store

<https://itunes.apple.com/gb/app/edulink-one/id1188809029?mt=8&ign-mpt=uo%3D4>

Android Google Play

<https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.overnetdata.edulinkone&hl=en>



If you are using the mobile app you will see the screen to the left.

The **SCHOOL ID** is rmgs

Followed by your **USERNAME & PASSWORD**

Once you have filled in all three boxes with your login details, click **LOG IN** to get started.

Main Screen

Once logged in you will see the main screen in Edulink One, where you will be able to navigate through the different sections of Edulink One to view a selection of information. These screenshots are from the desktop version but the mobile version will be the same options.

For your exam results you must click on Exams



There are 3 tabs. You will see your exam results here



Please note these will not appear before the day when the Exams Officer releases them at 8.30am on the relevant results day.