



# St Martin's School

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

I am writing to inform you of the new Spanish GCSE grading system which is now in place.

I have recently been on a course with WJEC who have informed me that pupils will now be given a band per component of their GCSE, and in relation to the writing paper, will be given a band for each task.

The bands are awarded 1-5 for both higher and foundation tiers. On the plus side, pupils can mix and match tiers per assessments, depending on their ability in each skills area.

Below is a table of how Mr Yeoman has given a guidance of how the bands translate into grades for reporting purposes:

HIGHER	GRADE EQUIVALENT	FOUNDATION
5	A*	
4	A	
3	B	
2	C	5
1	D	4
	E	3
	F	2
	G	1

When marking pupils' mock assessments, I will give them the band for that task, however, once they've completed the assessments required at GCSE I will translate the bands to grades.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Donovan-Lacey

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