Exam Contingency Plan 2022/23

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Purpose of the plan

This plan examines potential risks and issues that could cause disruption to the exams process at St. Saviour's and St Olave's School. By outlining actions/procedures to be invoked in case of disruption it is intended to mitigate the impact these disruptions have on our exam process.

Alongside internal processes, this plan is informed by the Ofqual (and Northern Ireland Council for the Curriculum, Examinations and Assessment) Exam system contingency plan: England, Wales and Northern Ireland which provides guidance in the publication What schools and colleges and other centres should do if exams or other assessments are seriously disrupted and the JCQ Joint Contingency Plan for the Examination System in England, Wales and Northern Ireland.

This plan also confirms St. Saviour's and St Olave's School compliance with JCQ's **General Regulations for Approved Centres** (section 5.3) that the centre has in place:

 a written examination contingency plan which covers all aspects of examination administration. This will allow members of the senior leadership team to act immediately in the event of an emergency or staff absence. The examination contingency plan should reinforce procedures in the event of the centre being unavailable for examinations, or on results day, owing to an unforeseen emergency

Possible causes of disruption to the exam process

1. Exam officer extended absence at key points in the exam process (cycle)

Criteria for implementation of the plan

Key tasks required in the management and administration of the exam cycle not undertaken including:

Planning

- annual data collection exercise not undertaken to collate information on qualifications and awarding body specifications being delivered
- annual exams plan not produced identifying essential key tasks, key dates and deadlines
- sufficient invigilators not recruited

Entries

- awarding bodies not being informed of early/estimated entries which prompts release of early information required by teaching staff
- candidates not being entered with awarding bodies for external exams/assessment
- awarding body entry deadlines missed or late or other penalty fees being incurred

Pre-exams

- invigilators not trained or updated on changes to instructions for conducting exams
- exam timetabling, rooming allocation; and invigilation schedules not prepared
- candidates not briefed on exam timetables and awarding body information for candidates
- confidential exam/assessment materials and candidates' work not stored under required secure conditions
- internal assessment marks and samples of candidates' work not submitted to awarding bodies/external moderators

Exam time

exams/assessments not taken under the conditions prescribed by awarding bodies

- required reports/requests not submitted to awarding bodies during exam/assessment periods, for example very late arrival, suspected malpractice, special consideration
- candidates' scripts not dispatched as required for marking to awarding bodies

Results and post-results

- access to examination results affecting the distribution of results to candidates
- the facilitation of the post-results services

Centre actions to mitigate the impact of the disruption

- The Head of Centre or Deputy Headteacher in charge of exams can be called upon to take over.
- Alternatively, the Examinations Officer of another school can be requested to provide assistance and we have links with agencies that can provide temporary Exams Officers.
- The SLT should nominate a "Deputy" to cover a role or task.
- Work Shadowing has been undertaken.
- All procedures should be documented. There are products available via:
 - > The Key Tasks section of The Exams Office website.
 - > The Examinations Oracle and Centre Support Service of the Examination Officers Association.
 - > The Examinations Administration section of the DFE website.
 - > Examination Board helplines.
 - > The Exams Office section of the Joint Council for Qualifications website.

2. SENCo extended absence at key points in the exam cycle

Criteria for implementation of the plan

Key tasks required in the management and administration of the access arrangements process within the exam cycle not undertaken including:

Planning

- candidates not tested/assessed to identify potential access arrangement requirements
- centre fails to recognise its duties towards disabled candidates as defined under the terms of the Equality Act 2010
- evidence of need and evidence to support normal way of working not collated

Pre-exams

- approval for access arrangements not applied for to the awarding body
- centre-delegated arrangements not put in place
- modified paper requirements not identified in a timely manner to enable ordering to meet external deadline
- staff (facilitators) providing support to access arrangement candidates not allocated and trained

Exam time

access arrangement candidate support not arranged for exam rooms

- Request SenCo assistant to take over until SenCo returns.
- SenCo assistant to identify any candidates not yet approved by Awarding Bodies and complete.
- Examinations Officer to identify any shortfalls in Invigilation requirements and ensure

- that gaps are filled.
- Once gaps are filled, Examinations Officer to arrange suitable rooms and SenCo assitant to provide training.

3. Teaching staff extended absence at key points in the exam cycle

Criteria for implementation of the plan

Key tasks not undertaken including:

Early/estimated entry information not provided to the exams officer on time; resulting in prerelease information not being received

Final entry information not provided to the exams officer on time; resulting in candidates not being entered for exams/assessments or being entered late/late or other penalty fees being charged by awarding bodies

Non-examination assessment tasks not set/issued/taken by candidates as scheduled

Candidates not being informed of centre assessed marks before marks are submitted to the awarding body and therefore not being able to consider appealing internal assessment decisions and requesting a review of the centre's marking

Internal assessment marks and candidates' work not provided to meet awarding body submission deadlines

Centre actions to mitigate the impact of the disruption

- Subject Head of Department or SLT member to provide Examinations Officer with details of Estimated/Final entries.
- Subject Head of Department or SLT member to ensure Examinations Officer is provided with Coursework Marks and that Coursework samples are transmitted to Moderators.

4. Invigilators - lack of appropriately trained invigilators or invigilator absence

Criteria for implementation of the plan

Failure to recruit and train sufficient invigilators to conduct exams

Invigilator shortage on peak exam days

Invigilator absence on the day of an exam

- Examinations Officer to maintain a panel of suitable Invigilators which can be called upon in the event of a shortfall.
- Conduct a review of available invigilators and their availability for the next exams series.
- Use provisional timetable and estimated entry information to determine invigilator numbers required.
- Identify where invigilators may be short.
- Request permission to recruit additional invigilators
- SLT member responsible for Cover to provide additional Invigilator resource in the event of a shortfall at short notice.
- Staff agencies to be contacted if none of the above is successful.

5. Exam rooms - lack of appropriate rooms or main venues unavailable at short notice

Criteria for implementation of the plan

Exams officer unable to identify sufficient/appropriate rooms during exams timetable planning

Insufficient rooms available on peak exam days

Main exam venues unavailable due to an unexpected incident at exam time

Centre actions to mitigate the impact of the disruption

- Identify, working with responsible SLT member, a short list of suitable rooms including reserves.
- Move pupils from normal classrooms for the duration of the examinations.
- Plan alternative accommodation for the duration of the incident.

6. Failure of IT systems

Criteria for implementation of the plan

MIS system failure at final entry deadline

MIS system failure during exams preparation

MIS system failure at results release time

Centre actions to mitigate the impact of the disruption

- Awarding bodies to be informed of the situation and an extension to the deadline should be requested.
- MIS contractor and ICT team on standby to repair damage quickly.
- Special Consideration can be applied for in the event of a serious disruption.
- Results can be obtained at an alternative site.

7. Emergency evacuation of the exam room (or centre lock down)

Criteria for implementation of the plan

Whole centre evacuation (or lock down) during exam time due to serious incident resulting in exam candidates being unable to start, proceed with or complete their exams

Centre actions to mitigate the impact of the disruption

Centre actions If the fire alarm sounds the exams officer will immediately enter the main exam room (Hall) and note the time of the alarm. The head of centre will liaise with the exams officer regarding the necessity for stopping the exam and evacuating the building. If the need arises for an evacuation, the normal school Fire Evacuation Procedures for examinations will apply:

A) THE SCHOOL HALL

- 1. Candidates will stop writing and close their answer booklets.
- 2. The Exams Officer will remind the candidates of the need to remain in silence and not communicate with any other candidate.

- 3. Candidates will evacuate the room one row at a time via the fire exit door from the hall. They will take their desk labels with them for identification purposes.
- 4. One invigilator will go with the first group of students and the second (if available) will go with the second group of students. The first invigilator will take the internal attendance register with him/her.
- 5. The Exams Officer will be the last to leave the room, having secured the evacuation of all candidates and the room.
- 6. Candidates will proceed to the tennis courts and line up in exam room order, leaving adequate space between rows and columns to maintain the security of the exam.
- 7. The first invigilator will take the register (with the aid of the desk labels for identification) and remind candidates not to communicate with the rest of the school who will be lined up in the bus turning circle next to the tennis courts.
- 8. The Exams Officer will report to the Head of Centre when all students are accounted for Returning to the Exam Room:
 - 9. Candidates will return to the exam room in supervised order. The Exams Officer and other invigilators (if applicable) will accompany candidates back to Exam Hall according to seating plan arrangement.
 - 10. In assessing whether or not to continue the exam the Exams Officer will liaise with the Head of Centre (or Deputy Head) as to whether or not the session will continue. The Head of Centre (or his/her nominated deputy) will take the following factors into consideration:
 - > The length of time that has passed since the official start time
 - ➤ Whether the minimum time for remaining the examination has passed to maintain the integrity of the exam. The amount of time left to complete the exam(s)
 - ➤ Whether there is sufficient time to complete the exam before another session starts.
 - Whether continuing the exam will take candidates over the session limit of 3 hours, taking particular care to consider candidates with access arrangements which include extra time.

If the Head of Centre (or Deputy Head) are satisfied that the above conditions have not been breached will ask the Exams Officer to continue the exam.

- 11. The Exams Officer will ask all candidates to mark their work with an Asterisk (star) so that the exam board can identify where the candidates' concentration was disturbed.
- 12. The candidates will continue with the exam and be given the full allocated amount of time (including stoppage) for the completion of the exam.
- 13. Scripts will be submitted to the exam board in the usual manner at the end of the exam.
- 14. The Exams Officer will apply for special consideration for all affected candidates.
- 15. If the above conditions cannot be met the Exams Officer will liaise with the Head of Centre regarding a decision to abandon the session.

If the session is to be abandoned, this will be either:

- Because of consideration of the criteria above,
- Because re-entry to the premises cannot be secured
- Because the risk of communication between candidates, the validation of the exam cannot be guaranteed
 - 16. The Exams Officer will contact the Exam Board at the first opportunity and then apply for Special Consideration of all affected candidates.

17. Partially completed papers will be sent to the exam board by the usual means if requested.

If Evacuation is unnecessary:

The Exams Officer will apply procedures (11) – (15) above providing the conditions in (10) above can be guaranteed.

B) All OTHER EXAM ROOMS IN USE AT THE SAME TIME AS THE HALL

- 18. The Invigilator in charge of the room will follow procedures (1) (7) above, immediately evacuating the room and accompanying the candidates to the tennis courts.
- 19. The Invigilator will wait for further instruction from the Exams Officer who will communicate with the Invigilator at the earliest opportunity.
- 20. The Exams Officer will apply procedures (8) and (10) (17) above.

EXAMS TAKING PLACE IN OTHER EXAM ROOMS WHEN THE HALL IS NOT IN USE (including on-line exams in the ICT Room)

Procedures (1) – (14) above will apply, providing the conditions in (10) above can be guaranteed.

If the lock down bell sounds, the full policy will be adhered to and students will be kept in the exam hall or room, away from doors and windows. A note of the time will be taken and the exam board will be notified as soon as it is safe to do so.

8. Disruption of teaching time in the weeks before an exam – centre closed for an extended period

<u>Criteria for implementation of the plan</u>

Centre closed or candidates are unable to attend for an extended period during normal teaching or study supported time, interrupting the provision of normal teaching and learning

Centre actions to mitigate the impact of the disruption

- Where there is disruption to teaching time and students miss teaching and learning, it remains the responsibility of centres to prepare students, as usual, for examinations.
- in the case of modular courses, centres may advise candidates to sit examinations in an alternative series.
- centres should have plans in place to facilitate alternative methods of learning.

9. Candidates unable to take examinations because of a crisis – centre remains open

Criteria for implementation of the plan

Candidates are unable to attend the examination centre to take examinations as normal

Centre actions to mitigate the impact of the disruption

Centre to liaise with candidates to identify whether the examination can be sat at an

- alternative venue in agreement with the relevant awarding organisations
- Centres to offer candidates an opportunity to sit any examinations missed at the next available series
- Centres to apply to awarding organisations for special consideration for candidates where they have met the minimum requirements. Candidates are only eligible for special consideration if they have a medical certificate or have been advised by their centre not to attend an examination.
- If a candidate chooses not to sit an examination they should be aware that special consideration rules will not apply.
- JCQ guidance on special consideration can be accessed through the JCQ website

10. Centre unable to open as normal during the examination period

(including in the event of the centre being unavailable for examinations owing to an unforeseen emergency)

Criteria for implementation of the plan

Centre unable to open as normal for scheduled examinations

Centre actions to mitigate the impact of the disruption

It remains the responsibility of centres to prepare students, as usual, for examinations.

- In the event that the head of centre decides the centre cannot be opened for scheduled examinations, the relevant awarding body must be informed as soon as possible.
- Awarding bodies will be able to offer advice regarding the alternative arrangements for conducting examinations that may be available and the options for candidates who have not been able to take scheduled examinations.
- The centres to open for examinations and examination candidates only, if possible
- Alternative centres should be considered in the event that candidates cannot come to school.
- Centres may advise candidates to sit examinations in an alternative series.
- Special Consideration can be used where candidates are unable to achieve a result due to one of the above factors.
- An exam result can be generated by the awarding body, based on factors such as a child's
 performance on other assessments in the same subject.

11. Disruption in the distribution of examination papers

Criteria for implementation of the plan

Disruption to the distribution of examination papers to the centre in advance of examinations

- awarding organisations to provide centres with electronic access to examination papers
 via a secure external network. Centres would need to ensure that copies are received,
 made and stored under secure conditions and should have plans in place to facilitate such
 an action. Awarding organisations would provide guidance on the conduct of
 examinations in such circumstances.
- as a last resort, and in close collaboration with centres and regulators, awarding organisations to consider scheduling of the examination on an alternative date

12. Disruption to the transportation of completed examination scripts

Criteria for implementation of the plan

Delay in normal collection arrangements for completed examination scripts/assessment evidence

Centre actions to mitigate the impact of the disruption

- where examinations are part of the national 'yellow label' service or where awarding
 organisations arrange collections, centres should seek advice from awarding
 organisations and should not make their own arrangements for transportation unless told
 to do so by the awarding organisation.
- for any examinations where centres make their own arrangements for transportation, centres should investigate alternative dispatch options that comply with the requirements detailed in the JCQ Instructions for Conducting Examinations.
- centres to ensure secure storage of completed examination papers until collection.

13. Assessment evidence is not available to be marked

Criteria for implementation of the plan

Large scale damage to or destruction of completed examination scripts/assessment evidence before it can be marked

Completed examination scripts/assessment evidence does not reach awarding organisations

Centre actions to mitigate the impact of the disruption

- awarding organisations to generate candidate marks for affected assessments based on other appropriate evidence of candidate achievement as defined by the awarding organisations
- where marks cannot be generated by awarding organisations candidates may need to retake affected assessment in a subsequent assessment series.

14. Centre unable to distribute results as normal or facilitate post results services (including in the event of the centre being unavailable on results day owing to an unforeseen emergency)

Criteria for implementation of the plan

Centre is unable to access or manage the distribution of results to candidates, or to facilitate post-results services

- Distribution of results:
 - > centre to make arrangements to access its results at an alternative site, in agreement with the relevant awarding organisation
 - > centres to make arrangements to coordinate access to post results services from an alternative site

- > centres to share facilities with other centres if this is possible, in agreement with the relevant awarding organisation.
- Facilitation of post results services:
 - > centre to make arrangements to make post results requests at an alternative location
 - > centres to contact the relevant awarding organisation if electronic post results requests are not possible

Further guidance to inform procedures and implement contingency planning

Ofqual

What schools and colleges and other centres should do if exams or other assessments are seriously disrupted

1. Contingency planning

You should prepare for possible disruption to exams and other assessments and make sure staff are aware of these plans.

Covid specific guidance

When drafting contingency plans, you should consider the following guidance:

- actions for schools during the coronavirus outbreak from the Department for Education in England
- actions for FE colleges and providers during the coronavirus outbreak from the Department for Education in England
- responsibility for exams from the Department for Education in England
- <u>vocational, technical and other general qualifications in 2022</u> from Ofqual (regulator)
- GCSE, AS and A level qualifications in 2022 from Ofqual (regulator)
- education and childcare: coronavirus from Welsh Government
- Qualifications Wales homepage from Qualifications Wales (regulator)
- coronavirus (COVID-19): guidance for school and educational settings in Northern Ireland from Department of Education in Northern Ireland
- <u>coronavirus (COVID-19) (information from CCEA)</u> information on vocational, technical and general qualifications from CCEA Regulation

1.2 General contingency guidance

- emergency planning and response from the Department for Education in England
- <u>school organisation: local-authority-maintained schools</u> from the Department for Education in England
- exceptional closure days from the Department of Education in Northern Ireland
- checklist exceptional closure of schools from the Department of Education in Northern Ireland
- school terms and school closures from NI Direct
- opening schools in extremely bad weather guidance for schools from the Welsh Government
- <u>bomb threats</u> procedures for handling bomb threats from the National Counter Terrorism Security
 Office

2. Disruption to assessments or exams

In the absence of any instruction from the relevant awarding organisation, you should make sure that any exam or timetabled assessment takes place if it is possible to hold it. This may mean relocating to alternative premises. You should discuss alternative arrangements with your awarding organisation if:

- the exam or assessment cannot take place
- a student misses an exam or loses their assessment due to an emergency, or other event, outside
 of the student's control

See also the JCQ Joint Contingency Plan for the Examination System in England, Wales and Northern Ireland.

3. Steps you should take

3.1 Exam planning

Review contingency plans well in advance of each exam or assessment series. Consider how, if the contingency plan is invoked, you will comply with the awarding organisation's requirements.

3.2In the event of disruption

- 1. Contact the relevant awarding organisation and follow its instructions.
- 2. Take advice, or follow instructions, from relevant local or national agencies in deciding whether your centre is able to open.
- 3. Identify whether the exam or timetabled assessment can be sat at an alternative venue, in agreement with the relevant awarding organisation, ensuring the secure transportation of questions papers or assessment materials to the alternative venue.
- 4. Where accommodation is limited, prioritise students whose progression will be severely delayed if they do not take their exam or timetabled assessment when planned.
- 5. In the event of an evacuation during an examination please refer to JCQ's Centre emergency evacuation procedure.

- 6. Communicate with parents, carers and students any changes to the exam or assessment timetable or to the venue.
- 7. Communicate with any external assessors or relevant third parties regarding any changes to the exam or assessment timetable.

3.3After the exam

- 1. Consider whether any students' ability to take the assessment or demonstrate their level of attainment has been materially affected and, if so, apply for special consideration.
- 2. Advise students, where appropriate, of the opportunities to take their exam or assessment at a later date.
- 3. Ensure that scripts are stored under secure conditions.
- 4. Return scripts to awarding organisations in line with their instructions. Never make alternative arrangements for the transportation of completed exam scripts, unless told to do so by the awarding organisation.

4. Steps the awarding organisation should take

Exam planning

- 1. Establish and maintain, and at all times comply with, an up-to-date, written contingency plan.
- 2. Ensure that the arrangements in place with centres and other third parties enable them to deliver and award qualifications in accordance with their conditions of recognition.

4.2In the event of disruption

- 1. Take all reasonable steps to mitigate any adverse effect, in relation to their qualifications, arising from any disruption.
- 2. Provide effective guidance to any of their centres delivering qualifications.
- 3. Ensure that where an assessment must be completed under specified conditions, students complete the assessment under those conditions (other than where any reasonable adjustments or special considerations require alternative conditions).
- 4. Promptly notify the relevant regulators about any event which could have an adverse effect on students, standards or public confidence.
- 5. Coordinate its communications with the relevant regulators where the disruption has an impact on multiple centres or a wide range of learners.

4.3 After the exam

Consider any requests for special consideration for affected students. For example, those who may have lost their internally assessed work or whose performance in assessments or exams could have been affected by the disruption.

5. If any students miss an exam or are disadvantaged by the disruption

If some of the students have been adversely affected by the disruption, you should ask the awarding organisation about applying for special consideration.

Decisions about special consideration, when it is or is not appropriate, is for each awarding organisation to make. Their decisions might be different for different qualifications and for different subjects.

See also JCQ's guidance on special considerations

6. Wider communications

The regulators, Ofqual in England, Qualifications Wales in Wales and CCEA Regulation in Northern Ireland, will share timely and accurate information, as required, with awarding organisations, government departments and other stakeholders.

The Department for Education in England, the Department of Education in Northern Ireland and the Welsh Government will inform the relevant government ministers as soon as it becomes apparent that there will be significant local or national disruption; and ensure that they are kept updated until the matter is resolved.

Awarding organisations will alert the Universities and Colleges Admissions Service (UCAS) and the Central Applications Office (CAO) about any impact of the disruption on their deadlines and liaise regarding student progression to further and higher education.

Awarding organisations will alert relevant professional bodies or employer groups if the impact of disruption particularly affects them.

7. Widespread national disruption to the taking of examinations or assessments

The governments' view across England, Wales and Northern Ireland is education should continue in 2021 to 2022 with schools remaining open and that examinations and assessments will go ahead in both autumn 2021 and summer 2022.

As education is devolved, in the event of any widespread sustained national disruption to examinations or assessments, national government departments will communicate with regulators, awarding organisations and centres prior to a public announcement. Regulators will provide advice to government departments on implications for exam timetables.

We will update this page as necessary, with any further relevant links, should national disruption occur with any further relevant links.

(Ofqual guidance extract above taken directly from the Exam system contingency plan: England, Wales and Northern Ireland - **What schools and colleges and other centres should do if exams or other assessments are seriously disrupted** (updated 30 September 2021)

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/exam-system-contingency-plan-england-wales-and-northern-ireland/what-schools-and-colleges-should-do-if-exams-or-other-assessments-are-seriously-disrupted)

JCQ

15.1 The qualification regulators, awarding bodies and government departments responsible for education have prepared and agreed information for schools and colleges in the event of examinations being seriously disrupted. This jointly agreed information will ensure consistency of response in the event of major disruption to the examinations system affecting significant numbers of candidates.

Further information may be found at: https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/exam-system-contingency-plan-england-wales-and-northern-ireland/what-schools-and-colleges-should-do-if-exams-or-other-assessments-are-seriously-disrupted

- 15.2 In addition, awarding bodies have their own well-established contingency plans in place to respond to disruptions. It is important that exams officers who are facing disruption liaise directly with the relevant awarding body/bodies.
- 15.3 Centres should prepare plans for any disruption to examinations as part of their general emergency planning. It is important to ensure that relevant centre staff are familiar with the plan. Consideration should be given as to how these arrangements will be communicated to candidates, parents and staff should disruption to examinations occur.
- 15.4 In the event that the head of centre decides the centre cannot be opened for scheduled examinations, the relevant awarding body must be informed as soon as possible. Awarding bodies will be able to offer advice regarding the alternative arrangements for conducting examinations that may be available and the options for candidates who have not been able to take scheduled examinations.
- 15.5 The awarding bodies will designate a 'contingency day' for examinations, summer 2022. This is consistent with the qualification regulators' document *Exam system contingency plan: England, Wales and Northern Ireland*: https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/exam-system-contingency-plan-england-wales-and-northern-ireland

The designation of a 'contingency day' within the common examination timetable is in the event of national or significant local disruption to examinations. It is part of the awarding bodies' standard contingency planning for examinations.

In the event of national disruption to a day of examinations in summer 2022, the awarding bodies will liaise with the qualification regulators and government departments to agree the most appropriate option for managing the impact. As a last resort the affected examinations will be rescheduled. Although every effort would be taken to keep the impact to a minimum, it is possible that there could be more than one timetable date affected following the disruption, up to and including the contingency day. Centres will be alerted if it is agreed to reschedule the examinations and the affected candidates will be expected to make themselves available in such circumstances. The decision regarding the rescheduling of examinations will always rest with the awarding body. The centre must conduct the examination on the scheduled date unless instructed to do otherwise by the awarding body.

Where candidates choose not to be available for the rescheduled examination(s) for reasons other than those traditionally covered by special consideration, they will not be eligible for enhanced grading arrangements. Centres must therefore ensure candidates and parents are aware of this contingency arrangement so that they may take it into account when making their plans for the summer. However, the awarding bodies will not insist upon candidates being available throughout the entire timetable period as a matter of course.

(JCQ guidance above taken directly from **Instructions for Conducting Examination**s 2021-2022 http://www.jcq.org.uk/exams-office/ice---instructions-for-conducting-examinations, section 15, Contingency planning)

JCQ Joint Contingency Plan www.jcq.org.uk/exams-office/other-documents

General Regulations for Approved Centres www.jcq.org.uk/exams-office/general-regulations

Guidance notes on alternative site arrangements www.jcq.org.uk/exams-office/online-forms

Guidance notes for transferred candidates www.jcq.org.uk/exams-office/online-forms

Instructions for Conducting Examinations www.jcq.org.uk/exams-office/ice---instructions-for-conducting-examinations

A guide to the special consideration process www.jcq.org.uk/exams-office/access-arrangements-and-special-consideration/regulations-and-guidance

GOV.UK

Emergency planning and response: Severe weather; Exam disruption; Coronavirus (COVID-19) www.gov.uk/guidance/emergencies-and-severe-weather-schools-and-early-years-settings

School organisation: local-authority-maintained schools www.gov.uk/government/publications/school-organisation-maintained-schools
Dispatch of exam scripts guide: Ensuring the service runs smoothly; Contingency planning https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/dispatch-of-exam-scripts-yellow-label-service

National Counter Terrorism Security Office

Guidance - Bomb Threats www.gov.uk/government/publications/crowded-places-guidance/bomb-threats