

## NOTICE TO CENTRES

FAO: All Media Studies teachers  
Date: October 2009  
Subject: GCSE Media Studies (J526)

### CONTROLLED ASSESSMENT UPDATE

#### 1. AMENDMENT TO CONTROLLED ASSESSMENT HANDBOOK

**Blogging is not permissible as a method of submitting controlled assessment work**

Between May 23<sup>rd</sup> and September 2009 a draft version of the controlled assessment handbook for GCSE Media Studies (J526) was placed on the OCR website in error.

The draft version of the handbook mentions blogging as an acceptable method of submitting controlled assessment.

These references have now been removed. Blogging is not a permissible method of submitting controlled assessment work for GCSE Media Studies (J526).

The latest version of the GCSE controlled assessment guide for Media Studies (J526) can be downloaded from [www.ocr.org.uk](http://www.ocr.org.uk) (navigate from the OCR homepage to Qualifications/By Type/GCSE (for first teaching in 2009)/Art, Media, Life and Work/Media Studies/All documents).

#### 2. OCR REPOSITORY NOT AVAILABLE FOR 2010 GCSE MEDIA STUDIES SUBMISSIONS

The OCR Repository will not be available for GCSE Media Studies controlled assessment submissions in June 2010. Postal moderation will be the only method for submitting controlled assessment samples during this period. The use of the OCR Repository for GCSE Media Studies controlled assessment submissions will be reviewed and an update will be sent before the 2011 series.

Any enquiry about this notice should be referred to the OCR Customer Contact Centre, (01223 553998), OCR, 1 Hills Road, Cambridge, CB1 2EU.