

# **CAMPAIGN TO SAVE MODERN GREEK A LEVEL EXAM**

The Greek and Greek-Cypriot Community in United Kingdom has started a campaign to save the Modern Greek A level exam and stop it from being abolished by the examining board Edexcel.

If this decision will implement, would have a significant impact on community cohesion. Study of the Greek language is a crucial way to keep the Cypriot community together and give the younger generation an appreciation of their history and cultural heritage.

Everyone with Greek origin and everyone which appreciates the Greek Language has to sign the on line petition and also ask others to do so. For those they don't have e-mail address, can sign up the on paper petition.

The coordinating body of the campaign met Theresa Villiers, MP for Chipping Barnet, on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> May , at Manor Hill Greek School in Totteridge. Mrs Villiers, heart their concerns about the damage which would be done if the A Level in Greek were to be abolished. She promised to help our community on that crucial matter. Theresa Villiers will be working with other north London MPs to seek to save the Greek A Level. She is contacting the Secretary of State for Education and Edexcel to urge them to reverse the threat to A Levels in Greek and other languages.

Thee coordinating body of the campaign includes representatives of the Hellenic Education Coordinating Committee in the UK – ΕΦΕΠΕ (ΚΕΣ, ΟΕΣΕΚΑ, ΑΕΣΑ) and the Greek Schools of Manor Hill and Finchley, the Cyprus Educational Mission in the UK and the Education Office at the Greek Embassy in the UK, the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of Thyadeira and Great Britain, the Embassy of Greece in the UK, the Cyprus High Commission in the UK, the National Federation of Cypriots in the UK and the Association of Greek Orthodox Communities in the UK.