

December 2023

Dear Parent/Carer,

At midday on Tuesday 19th December 2023 Year 8 reports shall be uploaded to pupils' MCAS profiles. Please accept our apologies for this delay. There was a national issue with Bromcom, our MIS provider, which prevented reports from being uploaded. This is now resolved.

You can view this by selecting the 'Reports' section within the menu of your child's page. We have already begun to share assessment results and next steps in lessons with our Year 8 pupils in order to quickly drive progress.

I hope that this has focused the minds of pupils on what needs to be done to achieve what they need to meet their expectations. This will be achieved hand in hand with a focus on behaviour, attendance and the steps required to achieve target grades.

For each subject, the following information will appear in your child's data report:

- **Assessment Percentage** – This is the percentage that your child achieved in the most recent assessments, taken in November 2023.
- **Average Assessment Percentage achieved by Year 8** – This is something we produced after consultation with families during the last academic year. I hope that this supports pupils and families contextualise their progress and achievement. This shows the average percentage achieved within each individual subject assessment.
- **A Behaviour for Learning Judgement** please see attached for further details of the meaning behind each score.
- **Meeting Expectations**
 - 'Y' and a green coloured box – this indicates they are meeting or exceeding their teacher's expectations.
 - 'N' and an orange coloured box – this indicates they are not yet meeting expectations.
- **Additional Comment** – there will be a detailed additional comment on specific next steps your child should take to improve their knowledge or exam technique in each subject area. We hope this provides support for families when helping your child with work at home.

This tracking will be used by Subject Leaders and the School Leadership Team to review the progress of each pupil in Year 8 and to help plan for success as we move forwards.

You will notice for PE and Personal Development lessons there is no assessment percentage mark. This is replaced by a rating of either 'At Expected', 'Above Expected' or 'Below Expected'. As these subjects are non-examined we feel this provides the necessary information on your child's learning in these areas and is supported by comment and other judgements.

Unfortunately, we have not been able to provide assessment information for Art lessons. You will see comments and judgements on behaviour for learning. We hope this provides sufficient detail on progress. If you require any further information please contact your child's art teacher.

I hope you find this useful in supporting your child's progress. If you have any concerns or queries or are unable to view the report, please contact me directly via email. For issues regarding your child's progress, please contact your child's form tutor in the first instance, or contact the Head of Year 8, Mr Warne, for other enquiries.

We shall be happy to continue to support our pupils and families.

Yours faithfully,



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