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Dear Parents and Carers,

Re: Progress and attainment grades

Good afternoon, I would just like to touch base to explain our new 'live' Progress and attainment grades that will begin to appear on Edulink from today. As you know, live ATL grades were introduced in September, now we have completed the first half term, it is important for staff, students and parents to know how much academic progress is being made. For different key stages/year groups, these will vary. Every student in every subject will have 1 assessment per half term, this could be an end of unit test, a past paper, a question from a paper, a quiz. Anything that will test the knowledge of the students. These will be marked, but the important factor is that this data will then inform teachers on how to proceed. They can see which areas students, classes, year groups may need extra support in, or have really grasped the concept, and lessons can be tailored based around this knowledge.

Please see outline for different year groups below:
KS3 (Year 7-9) These will be exactly the same as the attitude to learning scores, so therefore you will see students progress as either:
E – Meeting expectations,
B – Below expectations, or
A – Above/exceeding expectations.

Year 10 students will have a percentage that they achieved in their latest assessment, as well as a Year group/cohort average percentage, that they can compare against.

Year 11 students will have a percentage that they achieved in their latest assessment, as well as a 9-1 GCSE grade that this equates to.

To improve our regular communications with parents and carers, this system is now 'live', meaning that instead of waiting for a report to come out once a term, as soon teachers have completed an assessment in that half term, these grades can be put on Edulink to inform parents of progress. You will now receive 6 progress scores throughout the year instead of 3. You will be able to compare their latest assessment score to their previous ones throughout the year. Hopefully this will include you a lot more in their education, and can help to base your support at home as well.

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If you have any questions or queries around this process, please do no hesitate to get in contact with myself on the email address below. If you have any questions/queries around specific grades for subjects, please contact that teacher.

Kind regards,

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