

Dear Parent/Carer

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### Home/Academy Communications

As Achievement Leader for Year 8, I would like to share some crucial information regarding Achievement, Attendance, Home Learning and topics your child is learning within our 'Ready To Learn' Programme which takes place each day. Each week, the Year Team will produce a newsletter which supports topics that students are learning. These form part of our wider curriculum and include current and topical issues. It would be beneficial to talk to your child about what they have been learning each week during these sessions.

### Attitude To Learning

During each lesson, teachers award students an Attitude to Learning grade based on their effort and conduct within that particular lesson. These range from grade 1 - 4 with one being excellent and four being unsatisfactory. At the end of each week ATL scores are calculated and the students with the highest number of grade 1's that week are congratulated in our weekly assembly. At the end of each half term prizes are awarded to students consistently displaying an excellent ATL.

### Attendance & Satchel One (SMHW)

Attendance is crucial to achievement and collectively we have worked hard to ensure that all students can access online learning should they be required to self-isolate. Lessons will be uploaded to Satchel One (SMHW) and will be listed as 'classwork'.

These will include resources for each of the five lessons that your child has each day.

Any homework set by teachers will be highlighted in green. In order to support your child in their studies, please check Satchel One regularly to ensure that your child is completing homework on time and to the best of their ability. If you have lost your log in details, please contact me at the academy.

During assembly we have a prize draw to recognise students that have achieved 100% attendance from the previous week with the winners receiving gift vouchers.

I look forward to working with you to ensure that your child has the best possible opportunities throughout their time in Year 8. Please do not hesitate to contact me at the academy should you have any questions.

Yours faithfully

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Mr R Hughes (Achievement Leader Year 8)