

Achieving Excellence

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Year 7 Targets and Student Tracking 1

Dear Parent/Carer.

It was lovely to see so many of you at the Information Evening last night. The individual **Year 7 targets** have been issued to students today, during tutor time. Parent/carers will receive a copy via InTouch email and the Parent App by 16:00. The targets are created using a national database and are based upon Year 6 SATs.

The Year 7 targets describe where a student is aiming to reach by the end of the year. Students may meet, exceed or be working towards their target and they will be supported throughout the year by their teachers. For more detailed information about the target setting process please follow this link: [Year 7 Information evening presentation](#).

Student Tracking 1

All students have two tracking points each year. Year 7 Students start Student Tracking 1 (ST1) next week: [Year 7 ST1 Timetable](#). Please be reassured that the assessments used are deliberately **low stakes** and have not required lots of additional revision at home. We are building good practice over five years:

- Students will sit tests of approximately 40 minutes in their normal classroom.
- Students have been well-prepared for these tests with teachers regularly reviewing and recapping the content delivered in lessons.
- Students will have been given, or directed to, revision materials by the different subject teachers.
- Since September, as part of the Personal Development programme in tutor time, study skills have been taught.
- Subject leaders and their teams have also produced the “Guides to Success” videos to support success: [Keystage 3 Guides to Success](#)
- Student Tracking 1 helps teachers to understand what next steps students need take to improve and are not used for setting or grouping purposes.

If you have any questions, please contact your child’s Form Tutor in the first instance. Additionally, we invite you to attend the parent/carers forum next Wednesday 29th November, from 18:00 to 19:00 in the school hall.

Yours faithfully,



Mr A Carter (Deputy Headteacher)