

8 February 2019

Letter to All Year 8 Parents

Dear Parent/Guardian

Re Year 8 Second Interim Review and Parents' Evening – Thursday 7 March 2019

I am pleased to enclose your son/daughter's second Year 8 interim review. This forms part of our cycle of reporting over Key Stage 3 and reflects the progress he/she has made following his/her Year 8 first interim report in November 2018. All grades are based on the new 9-1 numerical GCSE grades, incorporating split grades, so a low grade 3 would be a 3/2, a middle grade 3 would be a 3, and a high grade 3 would be a 3/4.

In addition to your son/daughter's most recent grade we have also included an end of year target, which is broadly an estimate based on prior attainment, and reflects our high expectations. For your information we have included the distribution of assessment grades awarded by subject overleaf so you can see where your child's grade places them within the year group. We would be very grateful if you could talk to your son/daughter about his/her grades and reflect on his/her strengths. His/her teachers will be reflecting on these assessments and using this data to provide advice and guidance, further challenge and support.

I am pleased to invite you to our **Year 8 Parents' Evening on Thursday 7 March**. Please note that this is a changed date from the one originally calendared on Thursday 28 February. The Parents' Evening provides an opportunity for you to meet with your child's individual subject teachers, review his/her recent achievements and progress, seek advice on his/her next steps and learn how you can provide support at home for his/her learning, as well as asking any further questions about grades on his/her 2nd Interim Report which is enclosed. Senior staff and members of our pastoral team will also be on hand to answer any questions or address any concerns you may have.

We use an intuitive and easy to use online appointment booking system for making appointments. The system allows you to easily choose your own appointment time with your son's/daughter's teachers between 4.30pm and 7.00pm. Additionally, you will receive an email confirming your appointment times. The booking system will open at 6.00am on Sunday 10 February and will close at midnight on Wednesday 6 March. Should you wish to make any changes or cancel your appointments after this date, please contact the Pastoral office.

Each parent can initially book 7 appointments so you will need to prioritise who you would like to see. As you will appreciate, some teachers have more than one Year 8 class and may therefore find it difficult to see all parents. If you are not able to see a particular teacher, your child may take round a form on which a comment can be made or you can contact the teacher directly by email. Email addresses can be found on our school website at www.deerparkschool.net.

Please visit <https://cirencesterdeerpark.parentseveningsystem.co.uk> to book your appointments. A short guide on how to add appointments is attached to this letter. All you need to log in is the following information: Your name; Pupil's first name; Pupil's surname; Pupil's date of birth. If you do not have access to the internet, or have any difficulty logging in to the system please contact the Pastoral Office who will be happy to add the appointments on your behalf. Teachers will endeavour to keep to the allotted times. We would appreciate your support in this by arriving at your appointments promptly. If you are late for an appointment, please move on to the next one. If more time is required, please ask your child's teacher for a further appointment.

We look forward to seeing you on Thursday 7 March 2019. Our final Year 8 report will be shared with parents in late April 2019 before pupils move up to Year 9 after our May half term.

Yours sincerely



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Head of School

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Subject	Grade 0/1, 1/0, 1	Grade 1/2, 2/1, 2	Grade 2/3, 3/2, 3	Grade 3/4, 4/3, 4	Grade 4/5, 5/4, 5
Art		49	95	32	
Design	5 or less	74	99		
Drama	5 or less	39	109	27	
English	5 or less	42	106	27	5 or less
French		19	68	11	
Geography	10	71	76	19	
German		34	59	2	
History	12	69	86	9	
IT	9	47	91	29	
Maths	17	62	86	12	
Music	5 or less	55	105	14	
PE - Badminton	15	10	50	14	
PE - Hockey		9	65	12	5 or less
PE - Dance		6	50	25	6
PE - Football		32	38	17	
PE - Tabletennis		7	9		
RP	5 or less	56	111	8	
Science	5 or less	21	62	67	26
Spanish		21	40		5 or less