



Dear Parents/Carers

We wanted to share with you a new system we are introducing to ensure that we continue to build on our high expectations of students and their attitude to learning. This system, called "Lesson Monitor" enables staff to record a quick assessment of each student's 'Attitude to Learning' in every lesson

When a student demonstrates a positive attitude to learning they will be awarded a '1' (the code entered onto the system). It should be the aim of every student to achieve a '1' in every lesson in order that they achieve the best possible outcomes.

In contrast, should a student demonstrate a negative attitude to learning then he/she will have a '5' recorded on the system. For example, such behaviour includes:

- Low effort and poor attitude to learning
- Stopping others from learning

Teachers will also use the system to record when the student has:

- Not completed homework - 2
- Inappropriately used their mobile phone or other electronic device -3
- Not got the correct equipment or uniform-4

Lesson Monitor is linked into the school's rewards and sanctions systems. This will include acknowledging and celebrating significant milestones in the accumulation of '1's. Parents/Carers will also be informed when their child reaches these milestones.

If a student demonstrates a poor attitude to learning, which warrants a '5', then a consequence from the teacher will also be issued. Consequences can range from a note in the student's log book, and a short detention or to further sanctions depending on the details of the specific circumstances.

The Lesson Monitor results will be reviewed every day by the student's tutor during the afternoon tutor period and discussions can be had regarding the student's achievements or poor behaviour. The results will also be checked weekly by the Heads of Year, Heads of Department and members of the Senior Leadership Team.

We hope that asking your child how many '1's they have received today will be an easy way to strike up a conversation with your child about their day at school. Educational research has found that parental support is eight times more important in determining a child's academic success than other factors.

Thank you for your continued support in ensuring that all of our students have an excellent attitude to learning in order for them to achieve success throughout their time at school.

Yours faithfully

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