



Dear Parents/Carers,

RE: Reporting and Data for all year groups- Importance of Arbor Parent App.

As you are aware, we have moved as an Academy to the MIS system, Arbor, which is a cloud-based database system which we use to record and store all of our student data including student profiles, contact information, registers, attendance data and assessment and performance. Both myself and Ms Cook have written to parents across this academic year so far with information regarding this and the importance of ensuring that you have access to this through your smartphone or computer, so that you can be up to date with your child's information and data.

We are very excited that this week marks the first 'data collection' from staff, for all students. This means that parents will be able to see their children's latest attainment and progress grades and achievement descriptors in each subject area at the Academy. These will be updated each term, throughout the year.

There will also be an Attitude to Learning (ATL) grade to show your child's focus, behaviour and conduct in lessons. All data information sheets and reports will now be solely available through Arbor- through the parental app on smartphones and tablets, or through the Parent Portal online. All parents need to ensure that they have downloaded the app or can access the online portal so that they can view their child's report. You can access the portal through the following link online [Log in to your School | Arbor](#) or through downloading the app onto your smartphone. All assessment data will be available from Monday 11th November and parents will be emailed, on the email address that we have on the system, to let them know that the data is accessible.

If you are a parent of a Year 10 student, you will get a full written report through the Arbor app, in addition to this data, next week on Tuesday 19th November. Parents of Year 8 students will be able to access their child's full written report through the app on the following Wednesday, 27th November.

If you don't have access to Arbor yet, do not miss this opportunity to download the app and keep an eye on your child's progress. It is even more important that you get access Arbor as soon as possible, as we will be moving more of our systems to the Arbor system across the remainder of this term. This has started with reporting, attendance and student records and will also include parental contact, replacing the IRIS system that we currently have for sending text messages to parents and carers by December of this year and the ParentMail system used for making payments. All payments onto your child's account for lunches, Academy trips and visits and uniform will therefore be made on Arbor from January 2025. As a cashless school, it will be essential that you have the Arbor app or parent portal as this will become our only system of payment and main system for messaging and contacting parents directly.

We advise that you download the app and ensure that you can login to the portal as soon as possible and will be sharing signup guidance for any parents who need it, through our social media channels. Similarly, staff will be available to support with signups at the forthcoming parents evenings and Year 11 Study Skills Evening.

We hope that you are as pleased as we are with the new service, from Arbor, which gives you instant access to your child's assessment and progress data. If you have any questions, feel free to contact us at the Academy.

Kind Regards,

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