

Dear Parent/ Carer

**KEY STAGE 3
YEAR 8 R.O.A. MARCH 2018**

Please find attached a copy of your child's Record of Achievement report. The purpose of this report is to assess how well your son / daughter is working in each subject. The report also highlights any areas for improvement or areas of particular concern. It is important that parents and students understand the importance of effort and the value of home-learning in determining overall progress; there is a strong link between a positive attitude to learning, regular home-learning and success in examinations.

We have written to you previously explaining some of the government changes to the national assessment system, including reforms of GCSEs and assessment in Key Stage 3. The new examination specifications are more demanding, have a new grading structure and there is no longer the requirement to report National Curriculum Levels. With this in mind, all schools have been developing new types of assessment and reporting mechanisms to ensure that parents / carers have a good understanding of the progress their children are making. Following some consultation with the school's parent group, HPAG, we are trialling a new system. Thank you for your feedback following previous reports, we will continue to seek your views through our parents' evenings and further HPAG meetings.

For every subject your son / daughter will receive grades awarded for their attitude to learning and home-learning. They will also be given a target grade in the form of a band based on the new GCSE 9-1 scale and an indicator (KS3 progress) based on evidence from assessments which compares their progress to the target band.

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REPLY SLIP: Year 8 R.O.A. – March 2018

Please sign this slip to acknowledge receipt of the Record of Achievement and return the slip to the form tutor by Monday 9th April 2018.

STUDENT'S NAME: _____

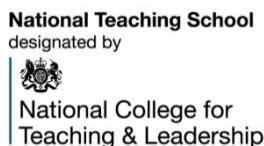
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Please make a comment if you wish.

Parental Comment:



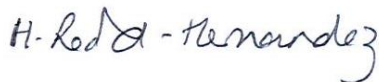
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Please see the accompanying documents for further information on targets and attitude to learning and homework grades.

We hope that the information provided in this letter helps to keep you up to date with the recent school changes to our student assessment and reporting policy. We will keep you fully informed of any further changes but if you have any queries in the meantime we will be happy to address them.

Yours faithfully




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