



Saint Joseph's
CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Year 8 Parents Information Evening



Progress Review Reports

- Earlier in the year we developed a new reporting system that better accounts for time missed, periods of remote learning and changing circumstances.
- What follows is an explanation of how to read the reports and how to initiate contact should you have any concerns.

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Summary Box, Target Grade and Progress Sections

The summary box indicates how many subjects in each category

Target Grade This is the grade that each pupil is working towards. It is designed to be a challenging grade based on attainment in previous key stages, and taking into account each child's unique situation.

Progress: Under current circumstances, it is virtually impossible to provide a traditional 'predicted grade'. We have opted to instead indicate 'Progress Towards Target' and represents the teacher's view, based on all aspects of work, engagement, discussion etc.

- + indicates working ABOVE target level
- = indicates working AT target level
- indicates working BELOW target level
- x indicates a significant CONCERN

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Focus 1–8, Specific Focus & Focus Summary

As a school, we have developed a series of characteristics that have the best collective impact on a learners ability to progress. Each teacher will indicate if a particular focus area is a concern within their subject by 'Y' being displayed. These foci are listing underneath the table.

The simple chart at the bottom of the report will summarise how many teachers have indicated a particular focus as being an issue

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In each subject area, the teacher will provide a simple outline of an area of the curriculum or a key skill that would most benefit from increased focus or improvement.



Additional Notes

- In year 7, your child either studies French (7HA, 7BX, 7BY) or Spanish (7C, 7D)
- At KS4, with the nature of options subjects being studied, there will be blank subject areas – your child has not taken these subjects, and this is why they have no scores/comments

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Getting in Touch

At the bottom of the report you will find details of our Virtual Consultation hosted on our school website.

Due the nature of current restrictions, we are unable to offer our usual face to face parent evenings to discuss your child's progress.

This new Virtual service will allow you to answer a few questions where you will be directed to one of a series of options:

- To simply notify us you have received your report.
- To communicate with a specific teacher in relation to the report via email

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Important Dates for Next Year

Parents Information and Subject Evenings

- September – we are hoping to host a virtual parents meeting to launch the year which will include confirmation of dates for parents meetings and other evenings/events.
- October – Year 9 (Current Year 8) Parents Evening

Assessment Points & Progress reports:

- AP1 – Likely to be end of Dec
- AP2 – end of March
- AP3 – July

Excellence Evening & Year 9 Graduation – TBC