

# Wadham School

# A Church of England Community School "Life in all its fullness" John 10:10



Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2024

Dear Parents / Carers;

# Re: Year 11 January Report

Please find attached your child's first *full* report of the school year, reporting on their learning and academic progress in their GCSEs (or equivalent). This report has two foci:

- 1. Teachers' professional predictions on the grade that they will achieve in each subject this summer, if they continue to work at the same level as they have done to this point. (Naturally, if the attributes in (1) above are improved (if possible), then it is likely that their final grade will be higher also.)
- 2. Teachers' assessment of the learning attributes that are shown in lessons by a student which all contribute to how well a student learns and progresses.

# **Learning Attributes**

At Wadham we believe if the learning attributes show success in a young person's approach to their learning, they will be good learners, progress and produce the best work possible for their ability. The learning attributes that teachers have reported on are:

- Engagement in their Learning
- Respect for the Community
- Organisation and Independence
- Homework

Students have been graded 1-4, with 4 being Exceptional and 3 being Expected Progress.

- 1. Demonstrates a lack of this attribute in this subject area.
- 2. Shows an inconsistent approach in demonstrating that they know how to achieve this learning behaviour.
- 3. Shows that the child can consistently demonstrate this learning behaviour well this is the expected progress level.
- 4. They excel in this area and can be relied upon to show others how to be successful in this learning attribute.

There are a few subjects due to staffing where Homework attributes have not been generated, this is planned to be in their next report.

## **Target Grades**

Every student has a minimum target grade for each subject. Target grades are generated from evidence and national data linked to prior academic ability – this should be seen as the minimum expected grade, **not a ceiling** and all students should be working to surpass the minimum grade as this looks extremely favourable to any organisation when considering applications.



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## **Professional Predictions**

A professional prediction is a teacher's judgement on the grade a student will achieve in their subject this summer, if the student continues to work at the same level as they have done to this point.

Each teacher's professional prediction is the teacher's judgement based on classwork, homework, assessments, exams, mock exams and general knowledge of the student's approach and motivation to work on improving - to do the very best they possibly can.

In this report you will see the teacher predictions from previous reports, in this case October 2023 and the mock examinations.

## **Ensuring Higher Rates of Progress**

You son / daughter will be aware of the programme of intervention and help in place to support their drive to reaching at least their target grade. This programme was outlined at the Year 11 GCSE Information Evening on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January. The information about this can be found on the website.

Any further questions regarding the report can be discussed with their teacher at the Parents' Evening on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> January 2024.

Yours faithfully,

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