

July 2018

Dear Parent/Carer

Praising Stars© 6 Report

As we approach the close of this academic year, we hope that your son/daughter has had a successful final term. In September all students will have their new planners, which we ask you to continue to support us by signing weekly. Please find enclosed Praising Stars© 6 information for your child. This is the final report that will be produced throughout the academic year, to ensure you are kept fully informed about progress towards challenging targets and effort levels, as well as flag up any concerns. Please note this report does not have a Parents' Evening linked to it.

In brief, the report gives you:

<u>Effort</u>	E1/E2	Outstanding/good effort – star student
	E3	Positive effort – doing most of what we expect
	E4 E5, E6	Cause for concern – may have received a C4 department detention Serious cause for concern
<u>Target</u>	This uses your son/daughter's performance at the end of Key Stage 2 to calculate what they should attain at the end of Key Stage 4. Targets are based on how students of a similar ability perform nationally in the top 5% of similar schools.	
<u>Prediction</u>	This is a GCSE grade which each teacher predicts your son/daughter will attain at the end of Year 10 or Year 11 based on their current performance and the teacher's professional judgment. If a student is studying a BTEC qualification, this will appear as: Distinction* equivalent to an A* / 8.5, Distinction equivalent to an A / 7, Merit equivalent to a B / 5.5, Pass equivalent to a C / 4, W is working towards a pass and U is a Fail.	
<u>Homework/Coursework</u>	This indicates, where marked, that the teacher has a coursework concern (C) or a homework concern (H) or both (HC).	
<u>Attendance</u>	This indicates, where marked with an X, that the teacher has a concern that your son/daughter's attendance in their lessons is having a negative effect on performance and progress.	

The effort grades represent a student's effort from the last Praising Stars© report until now. All students will start each Praising Stars© cycle as an E1 student in all subjects. We would be delighted if they were able to maintain this effort right through the next half term, but if they haven't this will be reflected in their grades.

I hope you find the report informative and useful, but please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher or learning manager should you wish to discuss this further.

To ensure we know you have received this report, I would be grateful if you could complete the section below and return it to your child's in September. This will avoid unnecessary phone calls and/or letters home to check you have received it. Feel free to write any additional comments on the reverse of the slip.

Yours faithfully



Seana Rice
Vice Principal



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Dear VMG tutor

I am the parent / carer of: _____ VMG: _____

I confirm that I have received and read his/her Praising Stars© 6. report.

Name (Parent): _____

Signed (Parent): _____

Date: _____

Please return this slip to your child's VMG tutor as soon as possible. Thank you.

Any additional comments: