

7th November 2023

Dear Parent / Carer

We would like to invite you to attend a meeting on Teams on Monday 13th November from 6.30-7pm. The purpose of the meeting is to outline the way in which our pupils in Years 8 and 9 are assessed, how they receive feedback and how this is reported to you during Years 8 and 9.

The reason for this is that we have changed our assessing/reporting system this year for KS3 and would like to be able to explain it to you, in addition to having explained it to the pupils in assemblies last week. The main change is that we are moving from reporting progress to reporting attainment, and this affects how the pupils receive feedback on assessments in school, how we track and monitor them and how we communicate it with yourselves.

We have decided to run this particular meeting on Teams, unlike the Key Stage 3 and 4 information evenings, which have been in person, because it will only last for 30 minutes and therefore we feel that this will be more efficient for many families than travelling into school. Your student in Year 8 or 9 is very welcome to attend the meeting with you and we will send out the meeting link nearer the time so that you can join. The meeting will be recorded so that those unable to attend live are able to catch up.

If you have any questions about this before 13th November, please contact Mrs King, Assistant Headteacher for KS3 progress (<u>c.king@staidans.co.uk</u>) or myself.

Kind regards

Mrs R E McQuire - Deputy Headteacher

