Year 7
Curriculum information meeting

Monday 2nd October 7.00 – 7.45pm

Welcome

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2017 GCSE results

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Calendar

- 16 October — Transition Evening
- 1 March — Literacy Evening
- 30 April + — Year 7 Exams
- 15 June — Year 7 reports
- 18 June — Year 7 Parents' Evening
- 2 July + — End of Year Examinations
- 20 July — End of Year reports

Communications

Curriculum

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The Key Stage 3 curriculum is delivered in Year 7 and Year 8.
The subjects and number of lessons per week are shown below.

Year	English[1]	Maths[2]	Science	PE[3]	History	Geography	MFL	Computing	Statistics	DT	Food Technology	Music	Business	Drama	Art	Citizenship and RE	PSHEE
7	4	3	3	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
8	4	3	3	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

PSHEE curriculum

- Lessons cover a variety of topics which focus on developing pupils as individuals e.g. emotional wellbeing and resilience.
- Topics are presented, and discussed, in a positive environment which encourages the pupils to gain confidence.
- Several topics are covered including:
  - personal safety
  - ***internet safety***
  - body image
  - puberty

Assessment

New grading structure	Current grading structure
9	A*
8	
7	A
6	B
5	
4	C
3	D
2	E
	F
1	G
U	U

Marking

- The key principles that all subjects work within are:

- A minimum of one piece of formative feedback every 3 weeks (DRAFT work).
- SPaG which adheres to agreed codes.
- Pupils have Forecast Grade recorded in/on their books.
- A minimum of six summative assessments per year.
- Marking across all subjects is quality assured each term.

- During each assessment period, staff are required to enter the following into their SIMs mark book:

  Current Grade (Year 7 and 8)

"The grade* that <<Forename>> could expect to achieve at the end of Year 8, based on a combination of their current performance and a prediction of their achievement over time."

*9 -1

Reports

- Data is recorded and collected each half term
- The pupil report is issued before the relevant Parents' Evening (18th June)
- End of Year report is issued in the final week of term

Attendance

97 %

>>>>>>>>>>>>'s current attendance is 97 %.

The Academy's aim is for all pupils to achieve an attendance of 96 %+ to afford them the best opportunity to fulfil their potential.

96+	This is not a cause for concern and is in line with what the Academy expects.
92 – 95.9%	This is a cause for concern and is below what the Academy expects.
Under 92%	This is a major cause for concern and is significantly below what the Academy expects.

Pupils with an attendance under 87%, without medical evidence, have to be reported to the Local Authority. This may lead to a penalty notice (fine) or prosecution.

To achieve the Academy's target attendance, pupils should have no more than 7 days absence during the academic year. To date, has been absent for 6.5 day(s).

% Attendance	Number of days absent	Approximate number of weeks
100	0	0
96	7	1.5
95	9	2
90	19	4
85	29	6
80	38	8
70	57	12

If you have any queries regarding your child's attendance, or would like support, please email Mr. Cartlidge - mcartlidge@eastwood.southend.sch.uk

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Pupil Achievement Summary

Year

Attendance

97 %

	Forecast Grade	Current Grade	CtL Grade	Percentage of pupils in year group whose current grade is: Lower	The same	Higher
English Language	4	4	G	9%	25%	66%
English Literature	4	4	G	8%	28%	64%
Mathematics	4	2	R	1%	6%	93%
Science	4	4	G	8%	20%	72%
Citizenship	4	5	G	23%	30%	47%
Geography	3	4	G	5%	29%	67%
French	3	3	G	2%	17%	81%
ICT	C	C	G	13%	53%	33%
Drama	4	5	O	43%	31%	26%

Glossary

Forecast Grade

The grade that >>>>>>>>is forecast to achieve at the end of Year 11 based on national benchmark data provided by the Fischer Family Trust (FFT). >>>>>>'s progress will be measured against this grade.

Current Grade

The grade that >>>>> could expect to achieve at the end of year 11, based on a combination of her current performance and a prediction of her achievement over time.

Reformed GCSEs will be assessed on a scale of 9-1, with 9 being the top grade. At this stage, a grade 4 is broadly equivalent to a C grade, although the DfE classify a grade 5 as a 'good' GCSE pass.

Progress

Exceeding	The pupil's Current Grade is above their Forecast Grade.
Expected	The pupil's Current Grade matches their Forecast Grade.
Emerging	The pupil's Current Grade is below their Forecast Grade.

Commitment to Learning (CtL) Grade

O = Outstanding, G = Good, R = Requires Improvement, I = Inadequate

The Commitment to Learning grade criteria are detailed in the Pupil Planner.

Communication with the Academy

If you have any concerns with the content of this report, contact details for pastoral and curriculum leaders can be found on the Academy website at www.eastwood.southend.sch.uk

Homework

Key events	When?	What preparation is needed?
"Homework is revision!"	Continuous	• Reading over class notes each evening • Checking understanding • Revising for tests • Taking ownership • Meeting deadlines
End of year examinations	wc 30th April Final 3 weeks of summer term *18th June: Year 7 Parent Consultation Evening*	• Quiet place to revise at home • Commitment/change of routine • Supporting your son/daughter • Importance • *Identifying weaknesses and problem areas*

Celebrating Success

- Celebrating Success boards
- Departmental Excellence, Progress and Commitment to Learning Awards
- Head of House Award
- Principal's Achievement Award
- Principal's Break/Lunch events
- Commendation Evening

Merits

Merits can be issued by any member of staff. Pupils who achieve over 100 merits are entered into a draw to win a 'Kindle Fire.' Below are a few examples of where merits may be awarded.

- For an excellent piece of work
- For achieving high test scores
- For an excellent piece of homework
- For sustained progress

A quick guide to attendance

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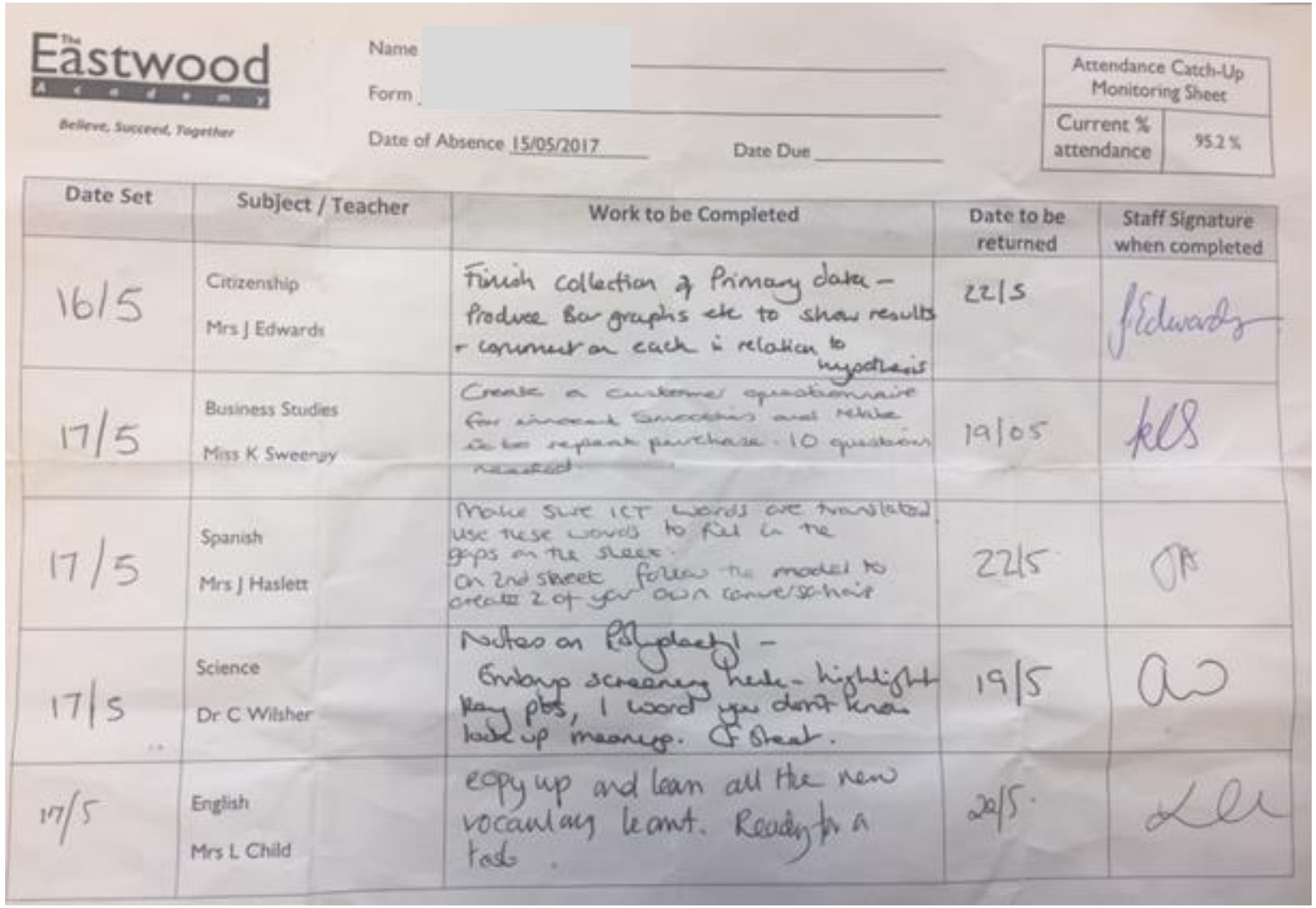
The impact of attendance

Pupil name	Attendance	Expected/Actual outcomes
Pupil 1 -8	81%	Business C/E English Lit 4/3 English Lang 4/3 Geog D/E History D/E ICT C/E Maths 3/4 RE C/D Science D/D
Pupil 2 -15	84%	Business C/C Dance C/E English Lit 5/3 English Lang 5/3 Geog C/F Maths 4/4 RE B/E Science C/D Spanish C/E
Pupil 3 -11	85%	Dance A/D English Lit 7/6 English Lang 8/6 Geog A/B Maths 8/7 RE A/B Add Science A/B Core Science A/A Spanish A/B Statistics A/A

Catch up forms



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Name

Form

Date of Absence 15/05/2017 Date Due

Attendance Catch-Up Monitoring Sheet	
Current % attendance	95.2 %

Date Set	Subject / Teacher	Work to be Completed	Date to be returned	Staff Signature when completed
16/5	Citizenship Mrs J Edwards	Finish collection of Primary data – Produce Bar graphs etc to show results + comment on each in relation to hypothesis	22/5	J Edwards
17/5	Business Studies Miss K Sweeney	Create a customer questionnaire for innocent smoothies and relate to repeat purchase. 10 questions needed	19/05	KS
17/5	Spanish Mrs J Haslett	Make sure ICT words are translated. Use these words to fill in the gaps on the sheet. On 2nd sheet follow the model to create 2 of your own conversations	22/5	JH
17/5	Science Dr C Wilsher	Notes on Polydactyl – Embryo screening hack – highlight key pts, 1 word you don't know look up meanings. CF Sheet.	19/5	AW
17/5	English Mrs L Child	copy up and learn all the new vocaulary learnt. Ready for a task.	20/5.	LC

Term time holidays

The current law does not give any entitlement to parents to take their child out of school during term time. The **Education (Pupil Registration) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2013** prohibits a Headteacher granting leave of absence to a pupil, except where an application has been made in advance, and the Headteacher considers that there are **'exceptional circumstances'** relating to the application. An application form is available on the Academy website under 'Attendance' and should be emailed to mcartlidge@eastwood.southend.sch.uk

Please note that if the absence is not authorised, and the holiday is taken, the case will be referred to the Child and Family Early Intervention Team who may issue a Penalty Notice of **£120** to **each** parent for **each** child taken out of school.

What can you expect from us?

- We will maintain the high standards that have placed us in the top 2% of schools nationally.
  - *170 pupils on our Yr 7 waiting list*
  - *20 of these pupils are in catchment*
- We will do everything we can to help your son/daughter achieve.
- We will help them to become confident and enriched individuals who can succeed in, and contribute to, society.
- We will let you know if they are not making sufficient progress.
- We will respond swiftly to your questions/queries.