



SIR JAMES SMITH'S
COMMUNITY SCHOOL

Dear Parent/Carer

Re: HERBs Report - Room for Improvement

Every half-term teachers provide a score telling us what impression they have of the attitude to learning shown by the students they teach. The results of this latest monitoring can be found in your child's homework planner.

The monitoring looks at four different things:

- Homework – How well organised are students to complete homework, revision and independent study tasks to a suitable standard?
- Effort – How much commitment, application and resilience do they show in this subject?
- Readiness for Work – How motivated are the students at the start of lessons to engage with learning?
- Behaviour for Learning - Are the students behaving in such a way that learning is enhanced, satisfactory or disrupted?

Further details of the definitions above and how teachers judge them can be found on the School's Website under the 'Parents' section.

In many subjects or in many of the categories above your child has been working well and has been recognised as being good or outstanding. As you can see however, this is not the case in all areas. Please join us in congratulating your child for the area(s) where they have demonstrated a positive attitude to learning and discuss with them where they were graded 3 or 4 and why they think this might be.

When the next HERBs Report is compiled, we hope your child will have shown improvement in those areas where this HERBs Report suggests it is necessary.

Please do not hesitate to contact your child's Form Tutor if you wish to discuss the report further.

Yours faithfully

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A copy of this letter will be placed on the student's file.

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