

Gordano Learning

Year 7 Learning Update – Term 3

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YEAR 7 ACHIEVEMENT REVIEW

As we reach the end of term 3 and the halfway point of the school year, we will send you your child's first Achievement Review, which will give you an indication of the progress they have made so far at Gordano.

The Achievement Review contains the following information for each subject:

Effort and Behaviour for Learning
Academic Band and Scaled Score

It also contains:

PE Fitness Score

Overall Attendance Record

Effort is graded on a four-point scale:

Highly Motivated, Engaged, Passive, Disengaged

Behaviour for Learning is also graded on a four-point scale:

Excellent, Good, Concern, Major Concern

The Achievement Review explains what each category means to give you a fuller picture.

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

Academic Achievement is also explained on the Achievement Review. We will be reporting your child's achievement using a system of **scaled scores**. Your child will have completed a test/assessment in each subject, or perhaps several different tests/assessments across the course of the year so far.

The combined mark from all the tests is converted into a **scaled score** between **70 and 130 for each subject**, which will allow you to compare your child's progress between the different subjects. This is a similar approach to the method used to calculate Key Stage 2 SATs results and it is also used to calculate GCSE and A-level grades.

- ☐ A score of **130** is awarded to the student who has achieved the **highest score overall in that subject**.
- ☐ A scaled score of **70** is awarded to the student who has the **lowest score overall in that subject**.
- ☐ Any student who achieves the **average score in that subject** is given a scaled score of **100**.

Most students will have a scaled score between **90-110** and very few students will have a score in the 70s and 120s.

To help parents interpret the scores, we place students in an **academic band** in each subject to give a simpler overview of their performance. This is explained further on the Achievement Review.

A note of caution: the 70-130 scale we use cannot be compared with the 80-120 scale used for the Year 6 SATs. In Year 6, a score of 100 is the **expected** level of performance, whereas at Gordano 100 is the **average** level of performance. The average Key Stage 2 SAT score of Year 7 Gordano students is 106, so please do not be concerned if your child's scaled scores are a little lower than their Year 6 SAT scores, as this is to be expected.

Finally, please note the date of our online **Year 7 Progress Evening**, which will be held on **Thursday 22nd February** between **4pm and 7.30pm**, during which you will be able to discuss your child's progress directly with some of their teachers. You will be sent information later this week on how to book your appointments and we look forward to meeting you then.

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