

Dear Parents / Carers,

Subject: Year 8 Subject Tracker

Included with this letter is the first of this year's progress checks where your child's class teachers provide progress data along with details of their attitude to learning and their lesson ready grade.

At Vyners School we have a 'Mastery Model' for Key Stage 3 with four pathways: **Mastered**, **Secure**, **Developing** and **Emerging**. The pathways are a general guide to the likely GCSE grades that students will achieve at the end of Year 11. Their intention is to act as an indication of expected progress and not to fence anyone in. Students do move between pathways as their intellectual curiosity and aptitude develops.

As a student progresses through the school there is an expectation that those that have a 'Mastered' pathway will achieve a grade 9 or 8 at the end of Year 11. Those on 'Secure' are likely to achieve grades 6-8 etc. The flight path diagram on the back of the progress check shows how each pathway moves towards a range of grades.

Subject teachers use the National Curriculum content and their in-depth understanding of the skills, knowledge and ability required to achieve good grades at the end of Year 11 to set assessments for students throughout Year 8, and subsequent years.

These assessments will allow students to demonstrate their knowledge, skills and understanding of the material that has been taught and staff will indicate whether a student is making expected progress, or is above or below expected progress, within their assigned pathway.

Please note that any subject specific queries and questions need to go directly to your child's subject teacher. You can contact any teacher by clicking on the 'Email a member of staff' link on the Vyners website.

We hope that you will use these progress checks to engage in conversations with your child about their progress, attitude and organisation. Hopefully this information will help you discuss ways that your child can take positive steps forward with their education at Vyners.

It would be helpful to have your child's latest progress report to hand for the Year 8 Parents' Evening on Thursday 9th November between 4:30pm - 7:00pm. This will make the discussions more purposeful and give you a better insight into your child's overall progress.

Yours faithfully,

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