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Dear Parent/Carer,

Please find enclosed your child's Summer Year 8 report from Kelvin Hall School, and an explanation of our reporting process below.

During the week commencing 20th June, Year 8 students will begin End of Year exams in a number of their subjects. Some of these exams will take place in classrooms and some will take place in the examination hall. Attached to this email, you will find the schedule for those exams which are taking place in the examination hall. All other assessments can be found on the Year 8 page of our Curriculum website on the link below.

[Year 8 Curriculum Page](#)

Results from these exams will be used to provide feedback to students and parents on the End of Year report which will be shared with you in July. These exams will also inform our curriculum plans for students next year and guide us in which learning students still need help with. Students will spend some time preparing for these exams in their lessons and they can use the resources detailed in this letter.

We know that students will have some gaps in their knowledge and skills due to their time spent learning from home. It is likely that more students will still be working towards their required progress than usual. We are very aware of the impact of the pandemic on our students and this is something we are working to address, inevitably it will take time to catch students up. Please be assured, we have adjusted our curriculum for this year in order to cover the essential skills and knowledge students need to move on to the next part of their studies and to identify and close gaps in those knowledge and skills. We have also chosen to partner with some key organisations in order to boost students' foundation knowledge and exam skills, including Elevate Education and Century Tech.

Century Tech is an online home learning resource we have purchased for your child for English, Maths, and Science. The system has built-in diagnostics which will determine which bits of learning your child needs support with and provide appropriate 'nugget' lessons for them to complete. The system is built on an artificial intelligence that will continually assess your child's responses and decide the best thing for them to learn next to help them make progress. We have purchased a license for every child at Kelvin Hall School to help them catch up with their learning. This resource can be accessed using their Kelvin Hall Google Login details and using the link below.

<https://app.century.tech/login/>

We hope to close any gaps in learning through quality teaching, regular assessment, and sensible, well-resourced additional home learning. The best thing we can provide for students is expert teaching during their time in school and support to achieve at least their 'good progress' objectives. It is very important that students continue to attend school and engage in their learning.



What does the report show me?

The report shows each subject your child is studying and a 'progress comment' for these subjects. The report compares this grade to the student's expected progress and shows you whether they are making good progress by the colour of the bar.

What is the 'Working at...' percentage?

This is a current attainment percentage that has been worked out by taking an average of students' completed assessments. For this report, this percentage includes assessments completed since the start of the year. Percentages are not provided for our more practical creative and performing subjects, as these subjects are assessed through demonstration of skills.

What is the 'Progress Comment'?

This is a comment based on students' 'Working at...' percentage or observations of their skills. This comment will tell you whether your child is **working towards** their good progress making **good progress**, **very good progress**, or **excellent progress** in their subjects. In order to make this comparison, we compare students' percentages to existing grade boundaries in their subjects.

How do we decide on students' expected progress?

When students join our school we normally receive their Key Stage 2 English and Maths scores. When your child joined the school we did not receive these scores from their SATs exams. Instead, they completed the GL assessment package in Year 7. This included completing reading, spelling, English, Maths, Science and CATs tests. This information was used to give us an idea of the starting point for each child in Year 7.

Teachers take this information into consideration along with students' starting points to set the correct challenge for their classwork and assessments. Students can make good progress by engaging in their learning, demonstrating good behaviour for learning, and making an effort to rise to the challenge of their lessons.

If a student's progress comment is 'Working Towards' this suggests they have not yet mastered some of the necessary skills and knowledge to achieve their expected progress in the future. They can improve this and get back on track if they engage in their learning every day, make a good effort in their learning, and use the resources provided via Google Classroom and other support materials from their teachers to fill the gaps in their learning.

If you have any questions or concerns about the report, please contact your child's year leader or the relevant subject teacher.

Yours sincerely,



Mr Christopher Leng
Head of School
Kelvin Hall School



Resources for additional and catch-up learning

Century Tech – an intelligent online home learning resource

<https://app.century.tech/login/>

Curriculum Plans for Kelvin Hall School showing what students have covered this year

<https://sites.google.com/yhclt.net/kelvin-curriculum-2020/home>

Student lesson resources from their classes this year

<https://classroom.google.com/>

Online lessons provided by Oak National Academy

<https://classroom.thenational.academy/>

Help accessing Google Classroom and suggested independent revision and catch-up resources provided by Kelvin Hall department leaders

<https://www.kelvinhall.net/curriculum-home-learning>

Key Stage 3 revision resources

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/levels/z4kw2hv>

Knowledge and revision resources for a variety of subjects

<https://senecalearning.com/en-GB/>



CONFIRMED Y8 End Of Year Exam Timetable 2022

WC 27/06/22	Monday 27/6	Tuesday 28/6	Wednesday 29/6	Thursday 30/6	Friday 01/07
Period 1 - 8:45am					Y8 Maths Papers 1&2 2x45m
Period 2 - 9:45am					
Break - 10:45am	Break	Break	Break	Break	Break
Period 3 - 11:00am					Y8 English 1h
Focus Group - 12:00pm					
Period 5 - 12:30pm					
Y10 Lunch - 13:00pm	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
Period 5&6 - 13:30pm					
WC 04/07/22	Monday 4/7	Tuesday 5/7	Wednesday 6/7	Thursday 7/7	Friday 8/7
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Period 2 - 9:45am					
Break - 10:45am	Break	Break	Break	Break	Break
Period 3 - 11:00am	Y8 Science 1h				
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