

A Parent's Guide:

What is included in the Year 12 Progress Report – November 2016?

For each of the courses your son/daughter is currently studying, this report includes data regarding the following aspects of their progress:

<u>CODE</u>	<u>Value</u>	<u>Description</u>
Type	'Vocational' 'Old', 'New' or 'Vocational'	A reminder of whether the course is an 'old' or 'new' A Level specification or a 'vocational' course [e.g. BTEC and Cambridge Technical Levels].*
Attitude	Numbers 1 – 5	Your son/daughter's attitude to learning in lessons since September 2016.
Homework	5 = Highest 1 = Lowest	Your son/daughter's attitude to completing homework outside of lessons since September 2016.
Internal Assessment [Or CAL if no IA]	<u>A Levels:</u> Grades A – U	Your son/daughter's overall November Internal Assessment Grade in their A Level course or Business Technical Level. Or their overall coursework grade [Current Attainment Level] by November in their project-based A Level or vocational course [i.e. BTEC].
Predicted Grade	<u>Vocational:</u> Grades P(P) – D*(D*)	Taking into account all of the information above, your son/daughter's most likely overall predicted grade in the subject in August 2018 , if they continue at their current rate of progress.

* **Why is it useful to remember whether this course is an 'old' or 'new' A Level specification, or a 'vocational' course?**

What is the difference between ...	Type of assessment	What will the summer result at the end of Year 12 mean for my child?	Can I resit an AS Level module in Y13?
'Old' specification in A Levels...	<u>Modular.</u> This means the final A Level result is still the average of separate modular exams sat across both Year 12 and Year 13.	The exam sat at the end of Year 12 will be a formal AS Level exam, and the result will be included by the exam board when calculating the final overall grade for the A Level in August 2018.	YES
... 'New' specification in A Levels	<u>Linear.</u> This means the final A Level result is the average only of terminal exams sat at the end of Year 13.	The exam sat at the end of Year 12 will be an informal internally marked exam, and will not be included by the exam board when calculating the overall grade for the A Level in August 2017.	N/A
... and 'vocational' courses?	These are all a mixture of coursework and exams, but all have a significant coursework component.	The following vocational courses will sit some form of formal externally-marked 'exam-type' unit in the summer which will be included by the exam board when calculating the final overall grade for the course: BTEC Applied Science (Double award) BTEC ICT (Single award) BTEC Sport (Single and Double awards) Cambridge Technical Diploma Business (Double award) The Cambridge Technical Business Subsidiary Diploma (Single Award), however, sits its only formal externally-marked 'exam-type' unit in January, though resits will be possible in the summer.	N/A

