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Dear Parent,

## Year 10 Engagement Report and Parents' Evening

We are pleased to provide you with your child's first report for this academic year. This report focusses on **Engagement in Learning** which reflects the 'big picture' in terms of how your child has returned to school and their learning since September.

The **Engagement in Learning** judgement describes the approach shown by your child to both their learning within the classroom and at home. It takes into consideration behaviour, attitude to work, motivation and organisation. We firmly believe that engagement in learning is the single biggest indicator for academic success and as such we have been working daily with our students to ensure any disruption to learning caused by COVID 19 is minimised.

We have introduced a new **Engagement in Home Learning** judgement to describe if your child engaged fully with their learning whilst at home. Subject teachers and House Progress Leaders will follow up any reasons that may have prevented your child with fully engaging with the work set online.

In this report each subject has awarded your child a judgement based on the following criteria:

**1. Positive** – A committed student who has a positive attitude to learning. They regularly display resilience, independence and a thirst for learning.

**2.** Inconsistent – A student who generally has a positive attitude to learning. Occasionally the may be off task, which might include engaging in low level distractions, being unprepared for learning, displaying inconsistent effort or they may fail to meet deadlines.

**3.** Disappointing – A student who shows an unsatisfactory attitude to classwork and homework. They are too often off task or engaging in behaviour that results in warnings or removals.

You may notice that we have adapted our engagement in learning descriptors for this academic year and we are moving to rewarding our students more regularly through awards on ClassCharts and half termly class awards. This change might in turn increase the number of inconsistent judgements and as usual our team of House Progress Leaders will be working with your child and their teachers to ensure that any necessary support is in place where needed. Please join us in congratulating your child by celebrating their achievements in the areas they are engaging well in. If any of these grades are a concern, please could you support them by discussing the issues that are pertinent to the judgement.





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We will shortly be sending you details of our Virtual Parents' Evening for Year 10 that is to be held on **Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> December** between 4pm and 7pm. On that evening you will be able to have individual video conferences with their subject teachers to discuss these engagement judgements as well as the progress they are making in their GCSE courses.

If you wish to discuss any aspect of this report further then please do not hesitate to contact myself via the enquiries email, <u>enquiries@burscoughprioryacademy.org</u> and we will respond in due course.

Yours faithfully,

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Mr Day Assistant Headteacher – Curriculum and Assessment



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