Year 8 Parents **Information Evening**

14th September 2023

Family

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Ambition

We are determined to achieve excellence.

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Respect







Nick McSweeney

Headteacher















School Improvement Priorities

Inspire a culture that is **utterly ambitious**.

Demand everyone is **rightly consistent**.

Develop our workforce to be highly effective.

Learning occurs in a **positive** environment.

Ensure that students are well supported.

Students achieve the **best outcomes**.







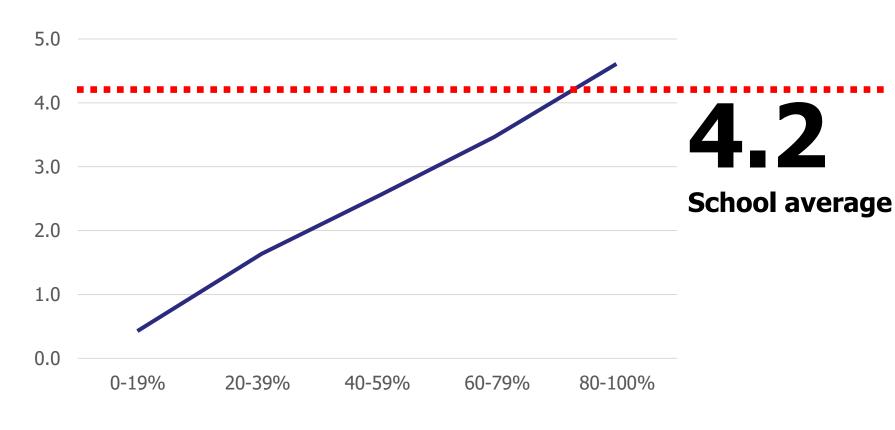






Attendance Vs Attainment

- We had a very strong correlation between attendance and attainment.
- The students in school, a full timetable and in lessons did well.



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Roxy Ridsdale

Deputy Headteacher















Well qualified

Ambitious

Well rounded

Happy

What does success look like for our students?

Independent

Resilient

Healthy

Collaborative

Prepared for their next step

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Rewards & recognition

Ambitious standards & expectations

FAIR Values

The Emmbrook Culture...

Personalised support

High quality teaching & learning

Vast opportunities to support personal development

Excellent engagement & conduct













The Year 8 Pastoral Team



Additional Support:

- Safeguarding Team
- Behaviour Support Team
- Student support Team
- Pastoral support worker

- School counsellor
- School nurse
- External agencies





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Steph Guinn

Director of Staff and Student Welfare















Wellbeing – Changes in Y8

- Role models to younger students
- Changing friendship groups
- Consideration of GCSEs and option choices
- Puberty
- New classes
- New teachers









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The Journey

New challenges

Settling in to Year 8

Post-16 plans

New friendships

Acting as role models

Developing ambition

Communication

GCSEs



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Wellbeing Support















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Attendance Matters...

- Aids positive academic outcomes
- Good routines for later in life in the world of work.
- Builds up resilience.
- Continuation of lessons aiding progress.
- Keeping on top of work and homework.
- Feeling part of our school community.













Attendance Statistics

Is 90% attendance positive?

- 90% attendance = $\frac{1}{2}$ day off per week

-1 school year at 90% attendance = 4 whole weeks of lessons missed!!!

That is 20 days
That is 100 lessons

17 days absence from school a year could lead to a drop in a GCSE grade in all subjects.

Children are required by law to attend school for 190 days per year. The Government states that every pupil's attendance should be at least 95%. Please note that being **late** can also **lower** your child's attendance.

Attendance during one	Equals days absent	Which is approxi- mately weeks ab-	Which means this number of lessons
school year		sent	missed
95%	9	2 weeks	50 lessons
90%	19	4 weeks	100 lessons
85%	29	6 weeks	150 lessons
80%	38	8 weeks	200 lessons
75%	48	10 weeks	250 lessons
70%	57	11.5 weeks	290 lessons
65%	67	13.5 weeks	340 lessons

Simon Taplin

Year Leader















An excellent start

- Total of 2981 achievement points since the beginning of term
- 124 students have achieved 10 or more achievement points so far
- We want to recognise the positives...













Day to Day Protocols and Expectations



Wear Uniform correctly





Be fully equipped every day





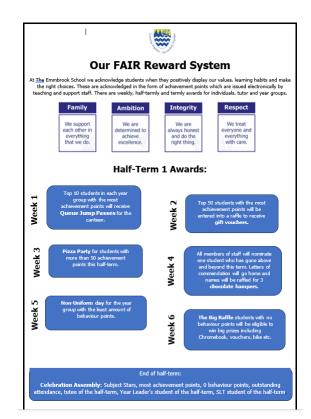
Arrive on time



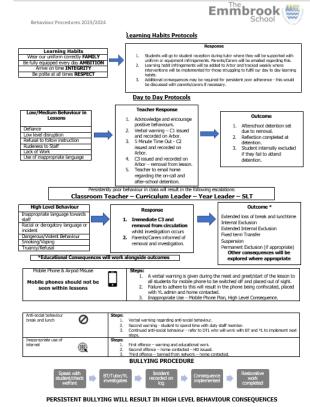


Be polite at all times













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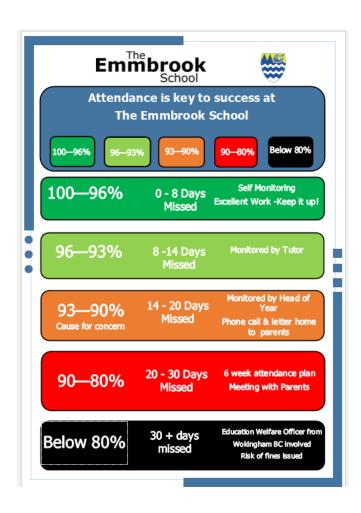
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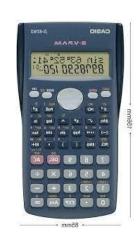
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Organisation











Please speak to your tutor if there are any issues with this



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Developing Success

- Safety
- Building relationships
- Pride
- Resilience
- Preparation for next steps



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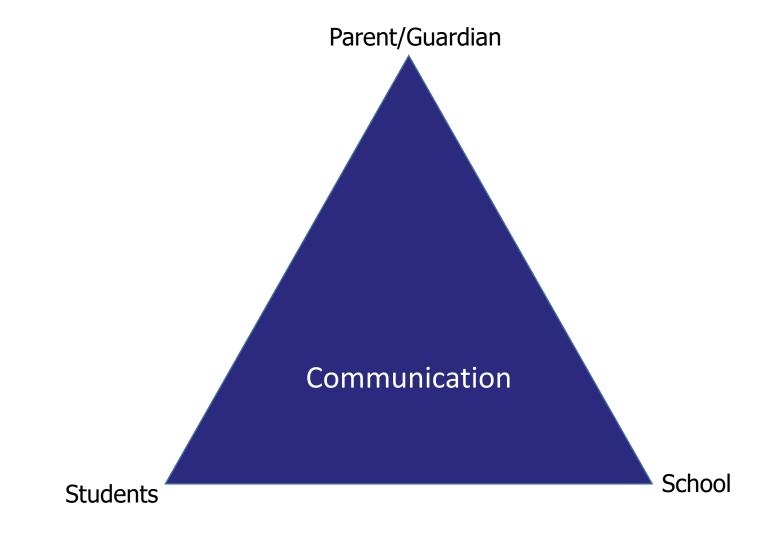
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Parental contact and student support

- Your first line of contact should be your child's tutor for general queries.
- Mr Taplin or Mrs Foster if the matter is pastoral related and requires a higher level of intervention.
- Your child's subject teacher if the question is subject specific.
- All staff can be contacted via email and contact details can be found on the main school website.















Parent Portal







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Vicki Foster

Assistant Year Leader















Year 8 Calendar — Key Dates and Events

- Every Monday break and lunch lounge day
- Year 7/8 Concert on Weds 7th Feb at 19.00.
- Residential Mon 22nd April Fri 26th April
- Parents Evening 13th June at 13.00 18.30
- Two weeks of in class assessments starting 8th Dec and 13th May













How can you help?

- Provide a space for study
- Engage with apps Satchel:One, Arbor
- Encourage healthy habits sleep, eating and drinking well, exercise, use of technology
- Look out for signs of poor mental health
- Let us know about any concerns as soon as possible











