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YEAR 7 INFORMATION EVENING

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INTRODUCTION

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Mrs K Woods, Deputy Headteacher

Curriculum and Expectations for Year 7

Communicating with school

The Importance of good attendance

Study/Homework

Mr N Reed, Year Leader for Year 7

Harrow Way Guarantee, Role of the Tutor,

Rewards and the School Diary

Assessment and Tracking Progress

School IT Systems



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All Change

[Video - GCSEs in England are changing: new 9 to 1 GCSEs](#)

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The Year 7 Curriculum

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30 period week

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| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 |
| Maths | Maths | Maths | Maths | English | English | English | English | Science | Science | Science | PE | PE | MFL | MFL | CPD | Geography | Geography | History | History | Design Technology | Design Technology | Art | Art | ICT | Music | Dance | Drama | Religious Studies | PSHE |

Broad and balanced



TUTORS

7SNE – Mrs S Nejman

7TNL – Mr T Larcombe

7JBU – Mrs J Burden

7MSG – Miss M Gritti

7APM – Miss A Machu

7MEH – Mr M Haysom

7CJD – Miss C Darby



Communication Policy

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- Parents are encourage to contact via email or student planner in first instance.
- The tutor is the first port of contact.
- Reception will pass telephone messages on, lessons will not be interrupted.
- Staff are expected to respond to phone calls within two working days.
- Parent meetings with staff must always be prearranged.
- For non urgent meetings we will aim to meet with parents within 3 working days.
- If parents need to see someone urgently they need to phone ahead and reception will try and find a senior member of staff.
- If parents have not had contact after two working days they are asked to email reception.
- There is no expectation that staff are to respond during their personal/family time.
- Please do not just turn up as you may be disappointed that you can not speak to the member of staff



Study/Homework

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Homework adds considerably to students' study time. It is, therefore, expected that involvement in homework will encourage students to organise their time effectively and acquire the skills needed to work alone.

Parents are responsible for taking an interest in study, assisting where appropriate and providing any basic materials/ space needed at home for the completion of the task. Parents need to sign diaries every week and should access Show My Homework to support their children.

The school is responsible for setting meaningful study tasks that support students' learning. Teachers will record all study tasks on Show My Homework and will ensure that students record this in their diaries. The school is also responsible for setting sanctions for incomplete or missing homework and contacting parents where this is an issue.

KS3 classes are given between 15 minutes and 30 minutes of homework per subject per week.



Homework Club

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- Available in the library after school each day.
- Runs 3pm-4pm
Monday-Thursday
(3pm-3.30pm Friday).
- Support from the librarian.
- Reference materials and computers available



Choose homework club
in the LRC to get you
through homework!
Open to years 7 and 8
each day after school.



After School Clubs

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| | |
|--------------------------------|---|
| Leadership Academy | Tuesdays – starts 3rd October |
| Football | Tuesdays |
| Theatre Technician Club | Tuesday 3-4.15pm |
| Girls Rugby | Tuesdays |
| Art Club (The Big Draw) | Wednesdays – starts end of Sept |
| Drama Club | Wednesdays |
| Netball | Thursdays |
| Show Choir | Thursdays |
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What makes Year 7 important?

Year 7 is an important year as it involves:

Making a transition and settling in

Becoming more independent

Meeting new people

It is also an opportunity to:

Experience new subjects and take part in extra curricular activities



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- **Be the best that you can be**
- **Aim high**
- **Anything is possible, nothing is impossible**

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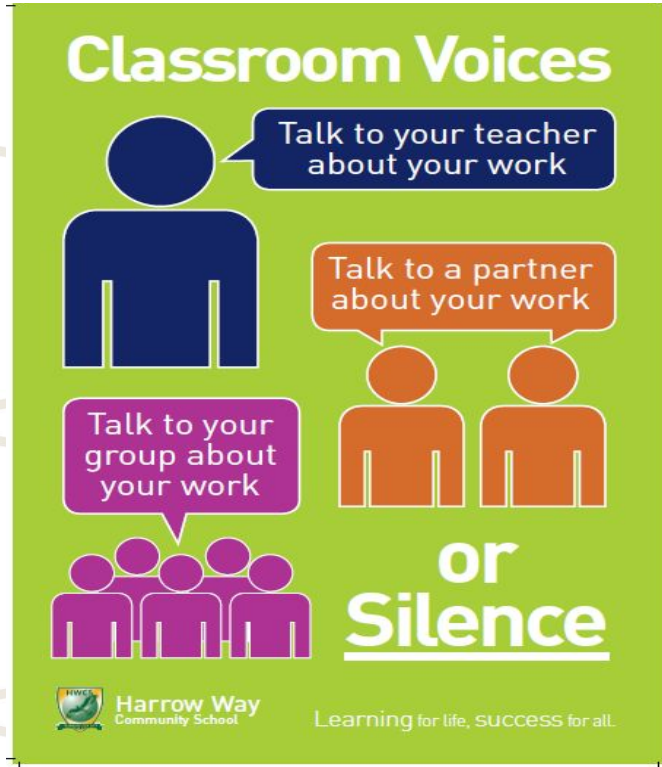


Classroom Voices

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- **Respect for learning**
- **Enabling concentration**
- **Maximising learning time**



Ways to support your son or daughter

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- Attendance
- Homework/study
 - Encourage them to attend our after school clubs
 - Maintain dialogue
 - Quiet place to work
 - Help with organisation
- Discuss outcomes from data collection reports



Ways to support your son or daughter

The importance of reading

- There is huge emphasis on reading comprehension in many exams
- Reading at home – (fiction/non-fiction) and being asked questions about this will really help your son/daughter develop their understanding skills further.
- The more students read, the better they do ...



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Harrow Way Guarantee, Role of the Tutor, Rewards & the Student Diary

Mr N Reed

Year 7 Year Leader



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Anti-bullying and E-Safety

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**The Bullying Intervention Group
BIG Award**

has been awarded to

Harrow Way Community School

for excellence in challenging bullying

June 2018 — June 2019

Issued by: *V. McFarlane*





Harrow Way Community School Anti-Bullying Charter “Bullying is when you as an individual or as part of a group intentionally make someone upset or hurt their feelings through unwanted and persistent physical or verbal abuse in person or online, or just disrupt their lives on more than one occasion. Different ways vary from verbal, social, physical, emotional/psychological, racist, homophobic, transphobic, sexual and cyber bullying.”

Harrow Way students November 2017



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Video - How to deal with Bullying

A video made by Harrow Way Students.

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HARROW WAY GUARANTEE

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- The aim of the Harrow Way Guarantee is to help students to become well-rounded individuals who value their community and environment, contribute to school life and value the opportunities that they have been given.
- Students will have until May half term to complete their booklets.



Harrow Way Guarantee

- Take part in a debate or public speaking competition:
- Be part of a group running an assembly:
- Spend at least one day in a big city:
- Take responsibility for how our school looks e.g putting chairs away after assembly, being responsible for keeping an area litter free:
- Listen to someone else read and be listened to reading:



- Students will complete the Guarantee with Pass, Merit or Honours.
- There will be a special Graduation evening for parents and students on Monday 9th July 2020.







Key Dates for your Diary

13th November – INSET day

21st November – Settling in Parents' Afternoon

20th - 24th April – Year 7 residential (Plas Pencelli)

25th June – Year 7 Parents' Evening

15th June – 26th June – End of Year Exams

9th July – Harrow Way Guarantee Award Evening



Rewards System & Criteria for Stamper

Students will receive a stamp in the space provided on the correct page of this diary, only if they achieve success in ALL of the following criteria during their lesson:

- **Be Ready**
- **Be Respectful**
- **Be Your Best**



Correct Uniform

Punctuality

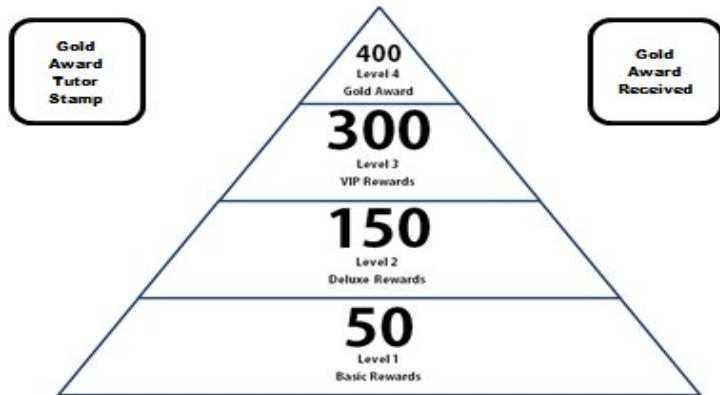
Correct Equipment

Good Behaviour

Completion of classwork/homework to an acceptable standard

AUTUMN TERM STAMPER REWARDS

1 STAMP = 1 HOUSE POINT



Once you have reached each level, please ask your tutor to confirm by stamping in the space below. Each year group will have bespoke rewards.

| Tutor Stamp | | Received |
|----------------------|-------------------|----------------------|
| <input type="text"/> | 50 Stamps | <input type="text"/> |
| <input type="text"/> | 150 Stamps | <input type="text"/> |
| <input type="text"/> | 300 Stamps | <input type="text"/> |

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Extra Rewards

In addition to the stamper rewards, there are also:

- Celebration Assemblies at the end of each half term
- Celebration Events
- Postcards home (and phone calls)
- Attendance prizes



Student Diary

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The diary gives a wealth of information about your child:

Stamps indicate that your child is meeting classroom expectations.

A cross in the diary or a blank box where a stamp should go, should be a **red alert** to the Tutor and the parent.



If you see the following numbers written in the box with the cross, it means:

1 – BE READY

Incorrect Uniform, Punctuality, Equipment

2 – BE RESPECTFUL

Behaviour

3 – BE YOUR BEST

Classwork or homework not at an acceptable standard



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Don't hesitate to contact your child's Tutor if your child is not collecting stamps or you have any concerns.

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Attendance

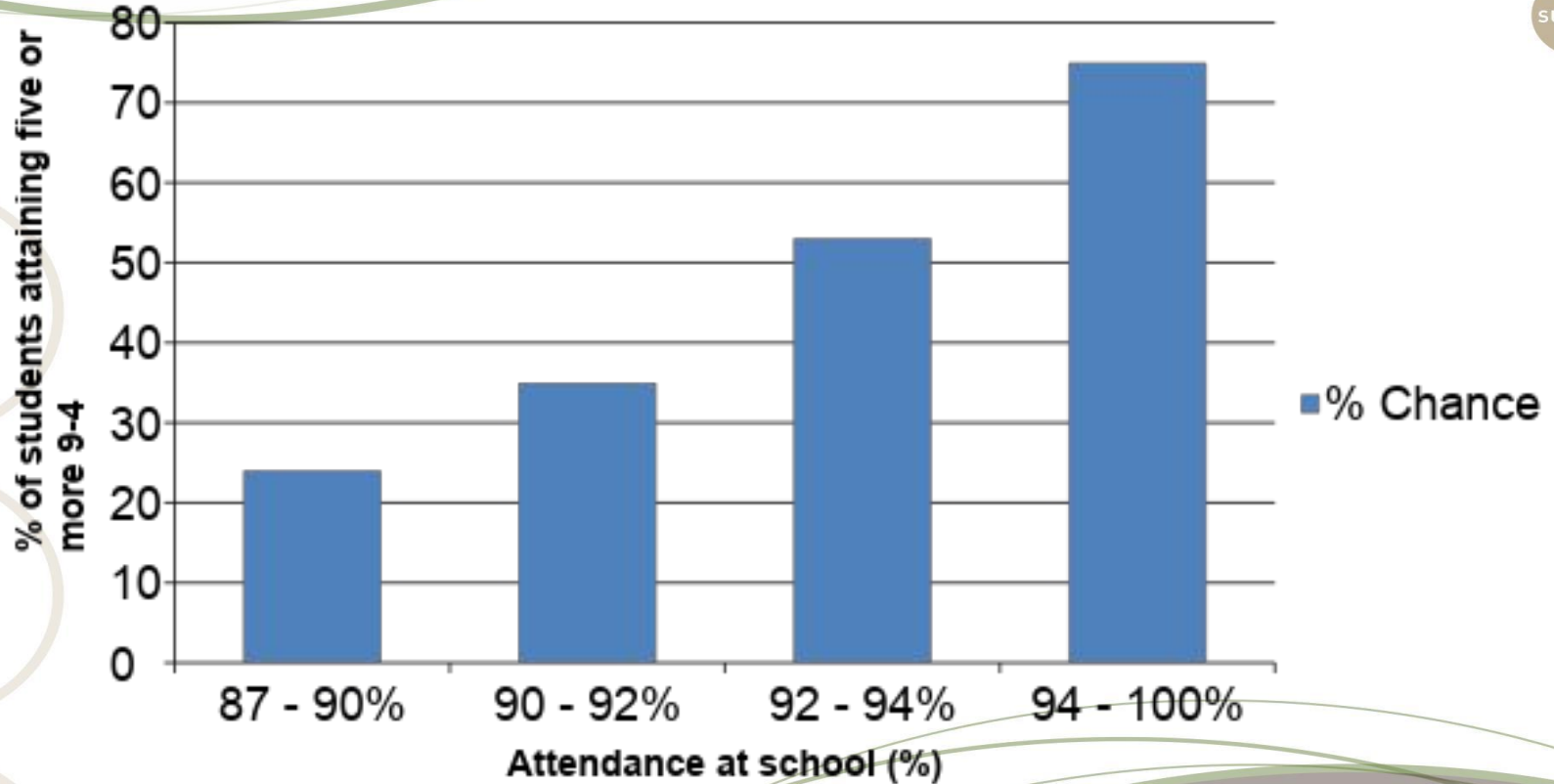
Mrs K Woods

Deputy Headteacher



Attendance

Attendance and attainment

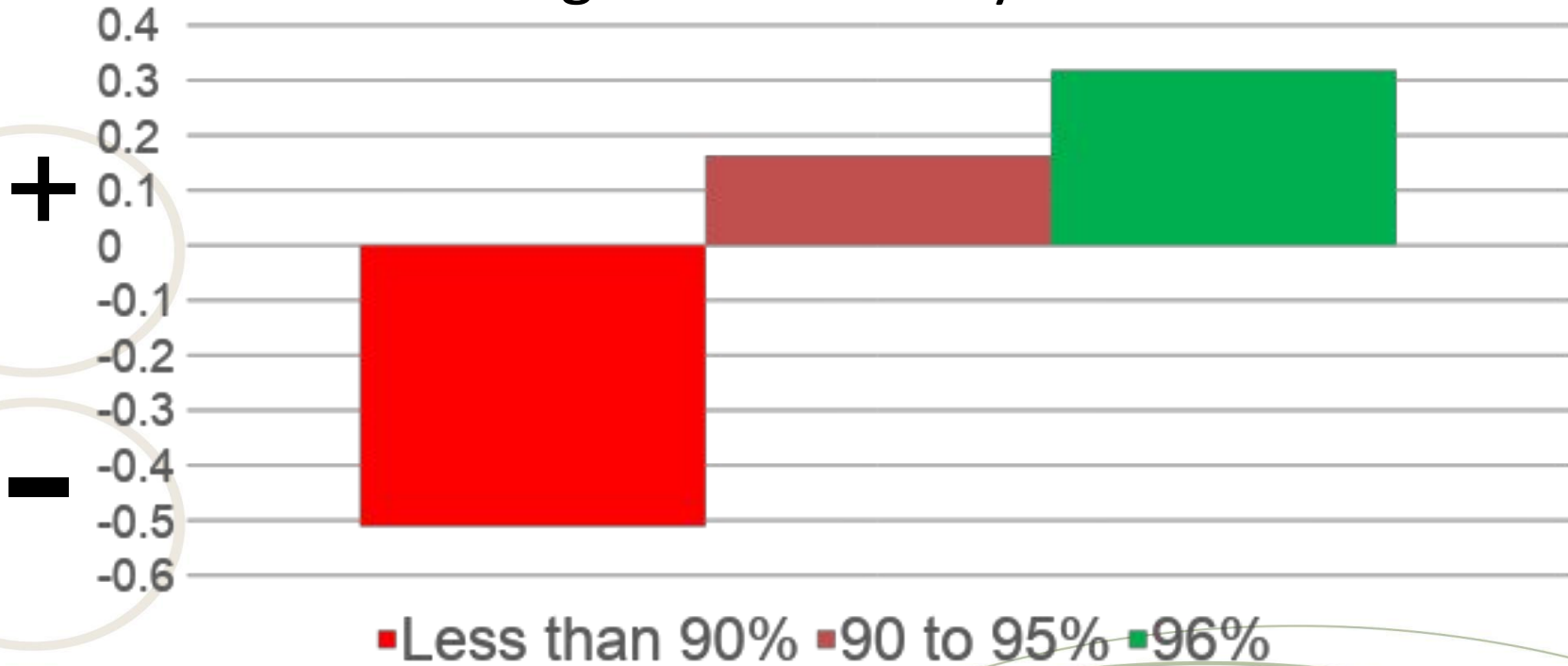




| Attendance rate | Approx days absence by the end of the year | School time missed by the end of Year 11 |
|-----------------|--|--|
| 100% | 0 | 0 |
| 95% | 10 | $\frac{1}{4}$ of a year |
| 90% | 20 | $\frac{1}{2}$ of a year |
| 85% | 30 | $\frac{3}{4}$ of a year |
| 80% | 40 | One whole year |



Progress 8 Score by Attendance Level





Absence from school

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Procedure

- Parents should telephone or email the school on the first morning that their child is away
- Parents must write a note giving reason for absence in their child's Student Diary
- Pre-arranged appointments: students should have a signed note from parents and sign out and in at Student Reception
- We are unable to allow students to leave the school premises during the day unless this has been authorised in writing by a parent
- We expect a students' attendance to be at least 96%. If it falls below this figure the Education Welfare Assistant is likely to become involved.
- Holidays - Wherever possible students should avoid taking holidays during school term time. The school does not authorise holidays and you are liable to receive a Fixed Term Penalty Notice.
- We expect students to be on time if a student is late they will receive a detention, if this become a persistent issue the Education Welfare Assistant will become involved and this potentially could result in a fine.



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Assessment and Reporting

Mr N Reed

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Assessment and Tracking

- Scaled scores, CATS, transition data
- Taught in mixed ability groups
- Target setting
- Tracking



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Year 7 and 8 Routes to Success

**Key Stage 2
Scaled Scores**

**New GCSE Number
system (9-1)**

106+

9
8
7

100 - 105

7
6
5

< 99

5
4
3
2
1

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Assessment and Tracking

- Assessment without Levels - AOB
- Effort and Attitude
- Based on students route and age
- Secure knowledge
- End of year Examinations



Reporting

- Progress Report home 3 times a year
- Accessed online (request paper copy if you cannot access internet)



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Using Technology

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GCSE Results 2017:
80% achieved a grade (9-4) in English and 70% in Maths. 64% achieved a grade (9-4) in both English and Maths

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Open Evening
Tue 26th Sept 2017 6.30-8.30 pm

- Harrow Way VLE Virtual Learning Environment
- Online Payments
- Letters Home
- Show My Homework
- SIMS Learning Gateway
- Parents' Evening Bookings

Links Latest Events

The School Website



Harrow Way VLE

NAVIGATION






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TWITTER

Tweets by @harrowway

 **Harrow Way School**
@harrowway

Great first day for our new Yr 7 students; getting settled in and meeting new teachers & classmates. Thanks to all for excellent behaviour.

-  Show My Homework
-  Letters Home
-  School Email
-  School Website
-  Bullying Support Button

ARTICLE OF THE WEEK

Article 28: Every child has the right to an education. Primary education must be free. Secondary education must be available to every child.

International & National Events this week:
8th September - International Literacy Day

Rights Respecting and the Internet. We are a Rights Respecting School. We learn about human rights and we help each other to enjoy them. This includes the virtual world. So: know your rights. Know other people's rights and respect them when you use the internet. Unsure? Need help? Speak with a RR ambassador.

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Welcome Kieran



My Calendar

Overdue 3

This Week

Next Week

Resubmissions



29th - 5th July, 2015



< Prev. Week

Next Week >

All Teachers



All Subjects



All Classes



All Years



Apply filters

| Monday 29th | Tuesday 30th | Wednesday 1st | Thursday 2nd | Friday 3rd | Saturday 4th | Sunday 5th |
|--|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------|
| <p>Myrtle (9a/9aE) Maths Ms. M. Boyd</p> | | | | | | |
| <p>Ol (1a/1aE) (9H/9H E) French Mrs. H. Da...</p> | | | | | | |
| <p>Spy report about the experiences of G... (9C/9C1) History Mrs. C. Brown</p> | | | | | | |
| <p>The Graveyard Book (9a/9aE) English Miss. R. Clarkson</p> | | | | | | |

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Show My Homework

8x/It2 Thursday 2 - Mr Peebles

Secure | <https://classroom.google.com/u/0/c/NTEzMzI1MDUyNVpa>

STREAM STUDENTS ABOUT

TOPICS

No topics

ADD TOPIC

STREAM

Show deleted items

You will continue this next lesson

Add class comment...

Kevin Peebles
5 Sep (Edited 7 Sep)

Due 13 Sep

ESafety - Cyberbullying Homework

You can either print this off, or open in classroom to share with at home

1 DONE | **27** NOT DONE

CyberBullying - PLS READ.docx
Google Docs

+

Google Classroom

Google Drive

Google Sheets

Google Docs

Google Slides

Harrow Way Community x | Kevin

Secure | <https://www.harrowway.hants.sch.uk/parents/parents-evening-bookings>



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Parents Evening Bookings

 April 5th, 2017



Parents' Evening Booking System

We have moved to online booking for Parents' Evening appointments and parents are now able to use this system for booking appointments.

The booking system can be accessed at: <https://www.parents-booking.co.uk/harrowway>

Login to see which appointments are available and select ones that are convenient for you.

To log in you will need:

- Your Title and Surname (as notified to us)
- Your child's legal first name and legal surname
- Your child's date of birth

You can select which teacher you want to see and choose the appointment time individually. However, there is the option to use the 'Automated Booking' wizard. This is a way of booking which allows you to enter your availability and choose which teachers you want to see. The program then returns with the most efficient way to see all these teachers based on their availability at that time.

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|---|---|
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Links
Latest Events

Settling-in Evening

21st November 2019

Year 7 Parents Evening

25th June 2020



Parent Progress View

- Available now to access to attendance and achievement data and your son/ daughter's termly report (pdf)

Enews

- Weekly news sent to all parents each Friday afternoon

Email

- Urgent information or reminders sent to parents in a year group. Staff e-mail contact lists on the website contact page

Twitter

- @harrowway for news of school visits and activities



How can parents support their child?

1. Talk to your child about their ICT use
- 2. Privacy settings and passwords**
3. Report it to provider (and Texts) use “Report Abuse” button
- 4. Let school know**
5. Use computer in a family space
- 6. Don't delete nasty messages – screen shot**
- 7. Keep up to date – school website and “thinkuknow”**



Thank you for coming

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- This PowerPoint will be added to our website for future reference
- Please don't hesitate to get in touch if you have any questions or concerns. Your child's tutor is the first point of contact.
- We look forward to seeing you again on **21st November.**