

#### **Baldragon Academy**

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Dear Parent/Carer,

Your child's school report is intended to give you an indication of how your child is progressing in their learning at Baldragon Academy.

To help you best understand your child's report, and to support learning at home, you may find the following helpful:

# **Explanation of Terms/Grades for Reports**

- Level: The level of qualification being studied.

- IT Grade: The initial target grade is the grade your child is aspiring to achieve.

- W Grade: The working grade your child is currently achieving.

- T Grade: The target grade your child should be working towards.

### **National 3, National 4 Qualifications**

Qualifications at Level 44, 45, 46 (equivalent to National 4, 5 and Higher).

There is no external examination for these qualifications. Success is determined by a series of unit assessments undertaken within the school. Progress in these qualifications is given using the following grades:

- Grade 6 = Passing

Grade 7 = At risk of not achieving

Grade 8/9 = Failing

## National 5, Higher, Advanced Higher Qualifications

The qualification grade for these subjects is determined by your child's success in the externally assessed Qualifications Scotland exam. There are no unit assessments, but in some subjects, there is a requirement to submit an assignment or folio. If a grade 7 or less is given in this report, then your child is at risk of failing and should take action now to remedy this by attending study support and by seeking the advice of their subject teacher.

Grade: 1/2 = A; 3/4 = B; 5/6 = C; 7 = D; 8/9 = No Award

## **Learning at Home**

In the senior phase, pupils should aim to study at home for 1 hour per week for each National Qualification and a minimum of 2 hours per week for each Higher/Advanced Higher.

Many additional, and free, supports for home learning are also available through:

- e-Sgoil: offer live, interactive, online experiences to high quality teaching and learning and to enhance learner engagement, achievement and attainment. There is an excellent programme for all young people in the Senior Phase (S4 to S6) to support learning at home: <a href="www.e-sgoil.com/senior-phase">www.e-sgoil.com/senior-phase</a>.
- **Achieve Learning** is a high-quality learning resource which provides course notes, questions and past paper examples along with the relevant solutions (class codes can be obtained from the relevant class teacher): www.achieve.hashtag-learning.co.uk/user-start.
- **Baldragon Academy Learning Portal** has further links to home learning resources: www.baldragon.ea.dundeecity.sch.uk.

Yours sincerely,

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