

Fine Levelling

For key stage 4 and 5 we report grades (or equivalent for vocational subjects). To give more detail and improve the tracking of progress we give a fine grade. This table demonstrates the meaning of fine grades:

Fine Grade	Meaning	Next Step
B+	Is secure at grade B	Consolidate the grade B work and target A-
B	Is working well at grade B but is not fully secure at all the subject content	Work at securing all the work covered and target B+
B-	Has completed some work at grade B but needs to cover more work in class and show more evidence to be secure	Work at securing all the work covered and show evidence of understanding to target B/B+

For key stage 3 we are required to report a national curriculum level. This table demonstrates the meaning of fine levels:

Fine Level	Meaning	Next Step
6+	Is secure at level 6	Consolidate the L6 work and target 7-
6	Is working well at level 6 but is not fully secure at all the subject content	Work at securing all the work covered and target 6+
6-	Has completed some work at level 6 but needs to cover more work in class and show more evidence to be secure	Work at securing all work covered and show evidence of understanding to target 6/6+

Attitude to learning criteria

Attitude to learning is graded on a scale of 1 to 3. Please read these descriptors in conjunction with the school's behavior for learning principles overleaf:

1. This means a student's attitude to learning is always in line with expectations and shows many of the following attributes:

2. This means a student's attitude to learning is usually in line with expectations and shows many of the following attributes:

- ✓ Embodies the school's behaviour for learning principles
- ✓ Displays an exemplary attitude to learning
- ✓ Is prepared for the lesson, including homework completed to the highest possible standard and handed in on time
- ✓ Works independently
- ✓ Contributes extremely positively to the lesson
- ✓ Behaves impeccably and require no behaviour intervention

3. This means a student's attitude to learning is not in line with expectations and may show some of the following attributes:

- × Shows an inconsistent attitude to learning
- × Has received behaviour points for not adhering to the school's Behaviour for Learning policy. For example being late, failing to bring the correct equipment, distracting others,...
- × Often fails to hand in homework on time or completes homework to an unsatisfactory standard





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General School Principles



- 1 Arrive at school and for all lessons on time.
- 2 Appropriate and respectful language must be used at all times.
- 3 Listen to staff and follow their instructions.
- 4 Wear the school uniform correctly and proudly.
- 5 Bring the right equipment for learning.
- 6 Respect students, staff and visitors.
- 7 Behave appropriately in corridors and line up quietly outside classrooms before a lesson unless instructed otherwise.
- 8 Respect all school resources and equipment throughout the school.
- 9 Respect the environment and place litter in the bins provided.
- 10 Do not bring illegal or harmful substances or objects into school.

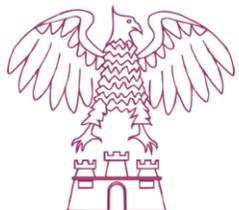
General Classroom Principles



- 1 Students will not interfere with the teaching and learning of others.
- 2 Students and staff will respect personal space, rights and property of others.
- 3 Students are responsible for their own learning.
- 4 Eating or chewing is not allowed. Students are encouraged to drink water but should seek permission in IT suites and workshops first. Drinking is not allowed in science labs.
- 5 Mobile phones must not be used during lessons unless a teacher gives permission.

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- The Welsh Government expected level at the end of Y6/KS2 is level 4. Also their expected level at the end of Y9/KS3 is level 5.
- To access the higher grades at the end of KS4 we expect an average student to achieve level 6 by the end of Y9/KS3.
- The following table shows the expected progress through KS3 to KS4 for the majority of subjects, if you track from left to right you can see the expected level and grade for the end of each year. The section highlighted yellow would be the expected progress for students with a level 4 at Y6/KS2:
- Note, for subjects that were not taught at KS2, such as French, German and DT the expected progress will be different to the table shown. See the further subject guidance below.

Expected Progress for most subjects

Y6/KS 2	Y7	Y8	Y9/KS 3	Y11/KS 4
5+/6	6+	7	8-	A*
5+	6	7-	7+	A+
5	6-	6+	7	A
5-	5+	6	7-	A-/B+
4+	5	6-	6+	B/B-
4	5-	5+	6	C+
4-	4+	5	6-	C
3+	4	5-	5+	C-
3	4-	4+	5	D+
3-	3+	4	5-	D

Attendance

Pupils with no absence are 1.5 times more likely to achieve Level 2 (5 GCSEs at grades A*-C), and 2.8 times more likely to achieve Level 2 inc. (5 GCSEs at grades A*-C including English and maths) than pupils missing 15-20 per cent of KS4 lessons.

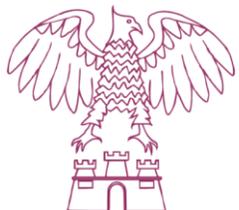
Attendance is a significant barrier to some pupils' progress. 90% attendance is the equivalent of missing a day of learning every two weeks. Further information on attendance can be viewed on your child's termly Attendance Notification email.

Above 95%- green

92%-95% - Amber

Below 92% - red





Further Subject Guidance

Design Technology Expected Progress

Y6/KS 2	Y7	Y8	Y9/KS 3	Y11/KS 4
na	6-	7-	7+	A*
na	5+	6+	7	A+
na	5	6	7-	A
na	5-	6-	6+	A-/B+
na	4+	5+	6	B/B-
na	4	5	6-	C+
na	4-	5-	5+	C
na	3+	4+	5	C-
na	3	4	5-	D+
na	3-	4-	4+	D

Science Expected Progress

Y6/KS 2	Y7	Y8	Y9/KS 3	Y11/KS 4
6-	6+	7	8-	A*
5+	6	7-	7+	A*
5	6-	6+	7	A+/A
5-	5+	6	7-	A-
4+	5	6-	6+	B+/B
4	5-	5+	6	B-/C+
4-	4+	5	6-	C/C-
3+	4	5-	5+	D+
3	4-	4+	5	D
3-	3+	4	5-	D-
2+	3	4-	4+	E+

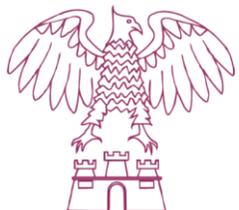
Sociology Guidance

Please note that grading for the Sociology GCSE now follows English system of 9-1. This means that at the end of studying the qualification your son/daughter will be awarded a number from 9-1, with 9 being the top grade. Please refer to the conversion table to see how this works.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/new-gcse-9-to-1-grades-coming-soon>

Old GCSE	New GCSE
A*	9
A	8
	7
B	6
C	5 Strong Pass 4 Standard Pass
D	3
E	2
F	1
G	
U	U





Further Subject Guidance

International Languages Expected Progress

Y6/KS 2	Y7	Y8	Y9/KS 3	Y11/KS 4
na	4+	6+	7+	A*
na	4+	6	7	A+/A
na	4	6-	7-	A-/B+
na	4	5+	6+	B/B-
na	4-	5	6	C+
na	4-	5-	6-	C
na	3+	4+	5+	C-
na	3	4	5	D+
na	3-	3+	5-	D
na	2+	3	4+	D-

WJEC Level 1/2 courses

Possible grades for Engineering, Health & Social, Creative & Media and Global Business Communication in French are:

- *2 - Distinction Star at level 2
- D2 - Distinction at level 2
- M2 - Merit at level 2
- P2 - Pass at level 2
- P1 - Pass at level 1

ALPS KS5 Target

ALPS is a company that all schools in Wales use to generate a target grade for A-level qualifications.

To provide the target ALPS use the average GCSE grade achieved alongside a large database of prior performance at KS5.

ALPS provide one 'global grade'. This grade will be applied to all subjects.

This means that the ALPS target may be a little high for subjects where GCSE performance was lower than the average. Also it may need raising for subjects where GCSE performance was higher than the average.

