



Curriculum

How are Pupils Assessed at Castleford Academy?

Every pupil in school is assessed each lesson by teachers to make sure that they are making the right amount of progress for that lesson. In addition to lesson by lesson assessment, each pupil is tested in each subject on approximately a half termly basis. This testing usually takes place at the end of a topic/unit of work and the result of the tests are record by pupils and staff. This regular testing allows pupils to learn and remember key pieces of information and is important in preparing pupils for their GCSEs. It also allows pupils to track their progress and find out what they need to do to improve.

Although we do not share every test with parents/carers, we ask staff to summarise pupil progress and report this to parents on three occasions throughout the year. Each report will give information about a pupils' target grade/step, attitude to learning and behaviour. Teachers will also write a comment and target for each pupil. Most reports (depending upon the time of year) will let parents know the grade/step that a pupil is likely to achieve based on their current progress in lessons.

The reports are our main way of communicating with parents about the progress that their son/daughter is making. When reports are issued it is also an opportunity for parents to talk with their son/daughter about the progress he/she is making in lessons. If the report raises issues, parents should contact either the subject leader (if it is in a specific subject) or the year leader (if there are concerns in a number of subject areas).

Timetable for issuing reports:

Year	Report 1	Report 2	Report 3	Parents' Evenings
7	November 2017	February 2018	June 2018	15 th February 2018 and 2 nd November 2017 (Form Tutor)
8	December 2017	March 2018	June 2018	15 th March 2018
9	December 2017	May 2018	July 2018	10 th May 2018
10	December 2017	March 2018	July 2018	22 nd March 2018
11	November 2017	January 2018	April 2018	3 rd January & 26 th April 2018
12	December 2017	March 2018	June 2018	30 th November 2017
13	December 2017	May 2018	-	30 th November 2017