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**Dear Parents** 

Following this term's Assessment week; you can now find your child's report summarising their performance on the Parent App. If you require access to the Parent App please email data@smithdonhigh.org.uk.

For each subject your child's teacher has reported a test percentage and an Attitude to Learning (ATL) grade. There is also a performance indicator for each subject, which aims to provide a context for the test percentage.

To calculate this performance indicator, pupil's test scores are compared to Baseline Test data to provide an expected score for each subject. A performance indicator, P, indicates a student's actual test score is within a given range of the expected score. Students scoring significantly above this range will be awarded P+, those scoring significantly below the range will be awarded P-.

## Why use Baseline Tests?

At the end of Key Stage 2, pupils would normally take National Curriculum tests (SATS) in Mathematics, English reading and English grammar, punctuation and spelling. In the absence of these, due to Covid school closures, your child has undertaken online Baseline tests in Reading and Maths. These results (as a scaled score) are on the attached report under KS2 Prior Attainment. Pupils with a scaled score of between 100 and 109 will have met the expected standard on the test.

The software that your child used to take these tests also provides us with Question Level Analysis. This breaks the results down into individual question responses, which is used to inform future teaching and learning by highlighting areas of strength and weakness. A copy of this analysis is available on request.

Please also note that if your child was absent from school when the tests were carried out, there will be no score shown in the table. Every effort is currently being made to ensure all students have taken these tests.

Any blank test percentages in subjects will be due to your son/daughter missing this assessment. If you have any questions; please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Robinson or your child's class teacher.

On a personal note, I would like to take this opportunity to say thank you, and goodbye, to you all. I will be leaving Smithdon High School at the end of this term. Year 7 will continue to be supported by the fantastic pastoral team and Mrs Robinson will become the Senior leader attached to Year 7. I have enjoyed my time at Smithdon, helping pupils get started on their high school experience. I wish you all the very best for the future. It has been an honour and a privilege to be part of Smithdon High School.

Yours sincerely

Mrs C Chapman Assistant Headteacher







