

E.T.C. Newsletter

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During the past week students will have received their targets for the end of the Key Stage. Key Stage 3 ends in Year 9 and Key Stage 4 ends in Year 11.

All students have two targets, one is a minimum target which identifies progress that they should be able to make over the Key Stage, and the second is a higher aspirational target. The higher target is based on four levels of progress which is what the Government hopes children can make while they are at secondary school.

Targets are not a prediction of what the students will get, but they help us to give them something to aim at. Some students will work exceptionally hard and will exceed all their targets, and they should not see the target as something that limits them.

In assemblies last week, I showed students two ways of looking at targets. One was a jar of jumping fleas, and the other was a DVD of the R Kelly classic song "I believe I can fly."

I told them that the jumping fleas get used to jumping to the height of the lid (so they don't bang their heads!) which means that when you take the lid off the jar, the fleas do not escape because they have learnt to jump only to a certain height.

The song has a different message and tells people that they can achieve miracles if they believe in themselves.

When students think they can only get the targets and no higher, they are like the jumping fleas. If they aim for the sky then they believe in the words of the song that they can fly.

If our children believe in themselves, are prepared to put in the work and are confident, they can exceed any target!

Thank you,

Keith Pailthorpe



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MFL WORDS OF THE WEEK.

SPANISH - Week commencing 14th September, 2009



YEAR 8

uno
seis

dos
siete

tres
ocho

cuatro
nueve

cinco
diez

YEAR 9

inteligente
aburrido/a

divertido/a
feo/a

generoso/a
gordo/a

guapo/a
muy

simpático/a
éste

MFL WORDS OF THE WEEK.

FRENCH - Week commencing 14th September, 2009



YEAR 7

un
cinq
neuf

deux
six
dix

trois
sept

quatre
huit

YEAR 8

anglais(e)
italien(ne)
canadien(e)

français(e)
espagnol(e)
écossais(e)

allemand(e)
américain(e)
irlandais(e)

suisse

YEAR 9

la santé
le fromage

bon
la glace

mauvais
une boîte

les frites
une tranche

le beurre
un morceau

The Chill Grill

The Chill Grill Menus and Tariff, from now until Christmas, are available from the school website.

Sat 26th September, 11.30-3.30

'K9' Event in the Park

Our local Community Police, together with Officers from Eastbourne Borough Council, are organising an interesting day in the Park for all local residents.

The Police dog will be in attendance, together with representatives of the PDSA. There will be an opportunity to have dogs microchipped.

The theme of the event is education - encouraging dog walkers to 'scoop the poop'.