

Dear Families,

When we returned to school post Covid, all pupils at Key Stage 3 were taught in mixed ability form groups for all of their subjects.

As part of our return to normal times, this academic year we have taken the decision to return to a set model for KS3 students.

In Years 7 and 9, for English, maths, science and humanities, students have been split into 3 equal bands named R(Red), B(Black) and Y(Yellow) and then within these bands set according to ability. The setting is based broadly upon English ability for English and humanities, and based broadly on maths ability for maths and science. Year 8 are split into 2 equal bands R(Red) and Y(Yellow) and the setting follows the same structure as Year 7 and 9.

For all other subjects: MFL, computing, drama, music, art, technology and PE, students have been split into 2 bands F(French) and S(Spanish) based upon which language they study and then set based broadly on MFL ability within each band.

The full outline of the structure of groups can be found on the next page.

If you have any queries please do contact Mrs Klee [hklee@shuttleworth.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:hklee@shuttleworth.lancs.sch.uk)

Thanks



Mrs Harrison.

Year 7	English, Geography, History, PSHE, RE			Maths & Science			MFL, Drama, Music, Computing, Art, Tech, PE	
	Students in these subjects are split into 3 equal bands, and then within each band set broadly based their English ability.			Students in these subjects are split into 3 equal bands, and then within each band set broadly according to their maths ability.			Students in these subjects are split into 2 bands based on whether they study French or Spanish, and then set broadly according to their MFL ability.	
	Red	Black	Yellow	Red	Black	Yellow	French	Spanish
	R1 R2 R3	B1 B2 B3	Y1 Y2 Y3 Y4	R1 R2 R3	B1 B2 B3	Y1 Y2 Y3 Y4	F1 F2 F3 F4 F5	S1 S2 S3 S4 S5
	There are a group of approximately 10- pupils who are taught as the Foundation group of students in addition to these sets. Students are placed in tutor groups S, H, U, T, L, E, W, O, R, C, P, which have an even mix of all pupils in each group.							
Year 8	English, Geography, History, PSHE, RE			Maths & Science			MFL, Drama, Music, Computing, Art, Tech, PE	
	Students in these subjects are split into 2 equal bands, and then within each band set broadly based their English ability.			Students in these subjects are split into 2 equal bands, and then within each band set broadly according to their maths ability.			Students in these subjects are split into 2 bands based on whether they study French or Spanish, and then set broadly according to their MFL ability.	
	Red		Yellow	Red		Yellow	French	Spanish
	R1 R2 R3 R4		Y1 Y2 Y3 Y4	R1 R2 R3 R4		Y1 Y2 Y3 Y4	F1 F2 F3 F4	S1 S2 S3 S4 S5
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Year 9	English, Geography, History, PSHE, RE			Maths & Science			MFL, Drama, Music, Computing, Art, Tech, PE	
	Students in these subjects are split into 3 equal bands, and then within each band set broadly based their English ability.			Students in these subjects are split into 2 equal bands, and then within each band set broadly according to their maths ability.			Students in these subjects are split into 2 bands based on whether they study French or Spanish, and then set broadly according to their MFL ability.	
	Red	Black	Yellow	Red	Black	Yellow	French	Spanish
	R1 R2 R3	B1 B2 B3	Y1 Y2 Y3 Y4	R1 R2 R3	B1 B2 B3	Y1 Y2 Y3 Y4	F1 F2 F3 F4 F5	S1 S2 S3 S4 S5
	Students are placed in tutor groups S, H, U, T, L, E, W, O, R C which have an even mix of all pupils in each group.							