# Understanding your child's data

The school uses information about your child to make appropriate provision and assess progress.

The purpose of this information leaflet is to enable you to understand your child's data.

### Assessment and reporting

We take a straightforward and easy to understand approach to grading.

Attainment grades range from 9 to 1 where 9 represents the highest attainment. The standard required to achieve each grade is determined by departments and grades are moderated between teachers to ensure consistency. The very highest performing students at each assessment point will be awarded grade 9. Other grades are distributed below this. Grades 4 to 5 represent the average attainment of students at each assessment point.

There are two assessment points (AP) for every student in every year, AP1 and AP2 and you will receive a report on both occasions. In year 11 there is an additional, early, assessment point (AP0) aiming to provide up to date grades for post-16 applications.

For students in year 10 and 11 **only**, these grades are an indicator of what we think your child will achieve at GCSE if they continue to work hard, revise and attend regularly.

Each report also includes an attitude to learning "colour" (see below).

The grade and colour displayed in Go4Schools will always be the most recent assessment point grade.

For students in years 7 and 8 the grade awarded is based on the quality of the student's work in class, homework, and class assessments.

In years 9, 10 and 11, grades are either:

- Teacher assessment
- Exam grade: this grade is based on a formal examination.

## Attitude to learning

The colours on reports represent:

Outstanding
Good
Inconsistent
Cause for concern

#### Year 7

In year 7, your child's first AP1 report will **only** show attitude to learning colours.

#### **Learning support**

Students in learning support have the same two assessment points. However, one assessment point will include comments from the teacher.