



# It is all about Progress

**At Trentham High School we measure students' progress** from the time they start in Year 7 until they finish in Year 11.

After each assessment a mini report goes to parents showing a student's current expected grade in each subject at that point

## **How do we know what progress they should make?**

When a student starts at Trentham High School scores from the national tests completed in Year 6 (KS2 levels) are used to set targets in all subjects. There is an overall target calculated for Year 11 (a GCSE grade). GCSE grades over the coming years will change as follows:

**Current Year 11:** Students will follow GCSE programmes and receive grades from A\* - G. This is unchanged.

**Current Year 10:** Students will study new courses in English Language, Literature and Mathematics for GCSE which will be graded from 1-9 (with 9 being the highest grade). In all their other subjects they will study GCSE courses graded from A\* - G.

**Current Year 7 - 9:** Students will study the new GCSEs that are graded from 1-9 in all subjects apart from Product Design (A\* – G grades in Year 9 only). In order to prepare students for this, all of our Schemes of Work now link to this form of assessment and students will be given a Student Target Grade (STG) and a Current Expected Grade (CEG) which will indicate how well your child has achieved, measured against what they should be achieving, using this new measuring system.

## **How are students assessed?**

Assessments are based on judgements by the teacher on the student's skills, knowledge and understanding in each subject area. Students may be assessed through a specific test or they could be assessed on class work and homework tasks.

## **We expect students to:**

- Know what they need to focus on in order to improve their work.
- Talk to their teacher about the strategies they need to use to maintain continuous improvement.