

JP/RNM/PARENTAPPLET

20th October 2017

Dear 6th Form Parents/Carers

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself to you in my new role as Assistant Principal responsible for targets, data and assessment.

SIMS PARENT APP

Our partnership with parents is very important to us and we are pleased, following the successful change of our management information system from Facility to SIMS, to launch our new parent app. We have had a very successful launch with Years 7-11 and are now in a position to be able to launch it with our 6th Form students too.

The app will allow you to access your daughter or son's progress and attendance data on a variety of devices, including your tablet or mobile phone. Not only does the new app replace eportal, but it will supersede the original school app from Jigsaw. This will no longer be updated and should be deleted from your phone.

The new app for 6th Form includes:

- The Academy calendar with key dates
- The student timetable.
- Whole school notifications.
- Assessment and Progress data updated approximately every three weeks for Current Grades
- Assessment and Progress data updated three times a year for Professional Predicted Grades. This will eventually replace the paper summaries.
- Weekly notification of attendance data.

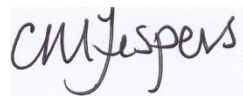
ACCESSING THE APP

All parents for whom we have a verified e-mail address will have been sent an e-mail inviting them to download the parent app. Please look out for it and follow the instructions to be able to access your daughter/sons information. If you have any difficulties in accessing the app then please contact our Senior ICT technician Mr Hemstock. hemstockj@bostonspa.leeds.sch.uk

If you have not received an e-mail or we do not have your e-mail address and you would like to be able to access the parent app then please contact [Mr Hemstock](#).

SIMS, the provider of the app have useful guidance on their [web site](#), which includes frequently asked questions. The SIMS app is a new product, and unlike eportal will be regularly updated and developed; we are excited to be launching it and are pleased to commend it to you.

Yours sincerely



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