

Our Ref:MK/HW
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Dear Parents and Carers,

Quality of Education

I am writing to inform you of updates to the Quality of Education at The Long Eaton School and would also like to take the opportunity to introduce myself. My name is Mr Kirkland, and I recently took on the role of Vice Principal, responsible for the Quality of Education. My role will involve working with the fantastic staff here at school, to continue to raise the standards of learning and ensure that all students are able to access a high-quality education.

As we start the summer term, I am writing to update you on developments regarding teaching and learning within lessons. One of our top priorities at The Long Eaton School is to always ensure that teaching and learning is of the highest standard and students are able to make the most of their precious lesson time. Ultimately, this will lead to progress, learning and outcomes that each individual student can be proud of.

One of our main priorities is to improve the literacy of all students through regular opportunities to read and produce extended writing. I actively encourage students to read for pleasure and take part in at least 20 minutes of reading per day. Our well-resourced library has plenty of fascinating books and our librarian, Miss Strawson, has the expertise to direct students to challenging and interesting reads.

Recently the school introduced 'Beautiful Books' which is guidance for students to ensure they take pride in their work and make the most of their lesson time. The guidance encourages students to take the upmost pride in their work, whilst producing an organised document of their learning journey. I encourage all students to frequently take their books home to proudly showcase their beautiful books. Please find the 'Beautiful Books' guidance on the following page.

Yours faithfully,
The Long Eaton School



Mr M. Kirkland
Vice Principal – Quality of Education



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The purpose of a beautiful book

- To document our learning journey
- To keep notes organised for revision
- To demonstrate our best work
- To demonstrate our improved understanding
- To practise key skills and apply our knowledge

We keep our books beautiful by:

- P1** – Starting each new lesson with an underlined date and title
- P2** – Using blue or black pen for written classwork
- P3** – Using a pencil for drawing diagrams
- P4** – Using a green pen for peer marking and responding to feedback
- P5** – Using a ruler for straight lines, including tables and graphs
- P6** – Crossing out mistakes with one single line
- P7** – Sticking loose papers into your book neatly
- P8** – Never doodling in the book or on the cover

