Effort Levels

A detailed explanation of each level is set out in the table overleaf.

Please note subject teachers will award the Effort Level 3 to all pupils who are working well and doing all that is asked of them.

An Effort Level 5 will only be awarded for exceptional students who have made an outstanding effort in all areas.

Our aim is to provide pupils and parents/guardians with accurate and useful information about their child's progress in school and to be able to recognise and acknowledge those students who are making an exceptional effort.

Effort Levels Explained

Level	Area of Focus	Explanation
5	Effort in class Contribution Homework/coursework Homework/coursework Personal Organisation Punctuality Behaviour/Attitude	A self-motivated and independent learner Volunteers helpful and relevant contributions Always completed on time Frequently exceeds expectation Always has the correct books/equipment Always on time and quickly starts to work Enthusiastic, shows initiative, helpful
4	Effort in class Contribution Homework/coursework Homework/coursework Personal Organisation Punctuality Behaviour/Attitude	Always works to the best of their ability Regularly makes useful contributions Consistently completed on time Consistently completed to a high standard Always has the correct books/equipment Always arrives on time and settles quickly Interested, focused, engaged
3	Effort in class Contribution Homework/coursework Homework/coursework Personal Organisation Punctuality Behaviour/Attitude	Pays attention and does what is asked Can contribute positively when asked, respects others Usually completed on time Completed to an acceptable standard Usually has correct books/ equipment Usually arrives on time and settles to work when asked Follows class rules
2	Effort in class Contribution Homework/coursework Homework/coursework Personal Organisation Punctuality Behaviour/Attitude	Lacks focus, does not follow instructions Can contribute when asked Usually completed on time Completed to a minimum standard Often does not have correct books/ equipment Slow to arrive and slow to settle for work Can disrupt the learning of self and others
1	Effort in class Contribution Homework/coursework Homework/coursework Personal Organisation Punctuality Behaviour/Attitude	Class tasks rarely completed Rarely contributes or contributions are unhelpful Frequently late or not completed at all Completed to a poor standard Rarely has the correct books/equipment Frequently late, reluctant to begin work Fails to follow classroom rules, disrupts learning