



Our Lady's Bishop Eton Primary School

Living, Learning and Loving in Jesus

Dear Parent/Carer,

CHANGES TO THE WAY YOUR CHILD'S WORK IS MARKED

Feedback is an essential element of teaching but recent research from the Department for Education and the Education Endowment Foundation shows that written feedback to pupils, which is primarily aimed at demonstrating teacher performance or satisfying other adult audiences, often has no meaning for the children and little impact on their learning and progress.

The focus in everything we do in school is always on the benefit it will bring to your child's learning.

For this reason, we are changing the way we mark your child's writing.

The children will continue to receive feedback that is meaningful, manageable and motivating, but this will take a different form and will not be as visible in their books.

What to expect:

- When marking writing across all areas of the curriculum teachers will read all scripts and annotate them as read.
- Teachers will note any common mistakes or misunderstandings across the class and/or within ability groups.

The teacher will use the next lesson to feedback to the class/ability groups. Using anonymised pieces of work the teacher will:

- Celebrate good aspects of the work
- Identify areas for improvement
- Model proof reading and editing

Allow children, either individually or in ability/mixed ability pairs, quality time to proof read, edit and self-evaluate their work with the focus on spelling, punctuation and grammar and the up-leveilling of sentences. All editing completed by the children will be in green pen

Children will have the opportunity to develop the valuable skills of independent learning and self-correction, which will help them as they continue through education and into the world of work.

We are confident that the above changes will be beneficial for the children and support all of the children in their learning.

If you have any specific questions or concerns about the above, please do not hesitate to contact the school to make an appointment to discuss them.

Thank you for your support.

