

Dear Parents & Carers

As we come to the end of the half term I wanted to write to you to thank you for your support throughout what has been a very different, unexpected and sometimes challenging start to the new year.

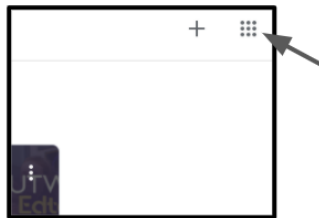
Staff have worked incredibly hard both online and onsite to ensure that however your child is attending school at the moment, they continue to access high quality provision which provides continuity to what would have been taught had schools remained open to all.

Equally, we know that remote learning can bring challenges at home and I would, on behalf of the staff, like to acknowledge and thank you for the significant part that you have played in ensuring that this half term has been a success.

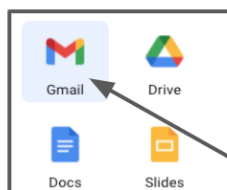
It is usual for us to issue Praising Stars reports at this time of the year. We are unable to distribute the sheer volume of reports physically but we have been able to develop the system so that reports can be distributed electronically. These are being sent today to the **email address associated with your child's google classroom account.**

To access these:

- Login to Google Classroom using your child's login details e.g s123456@student.outwood.com along with the associated password
- Click on the button in the top right hand corner which looks like a square of 9 dots



- Select Google Mail



- You will now be logged into the associated email account and from here you will receive the report when it is distributed by the academy.

The effort grades in these reports reflect your child's engagement with academy provided learning during this period.

We are currently making arrangements for an online parents evening after the half term break where you will have the opportunity to discuss the report and your child's progress.

Next week is half term. Please ensure that yourselves and your children, take a well-earned break.

Online learning will recommence on Monday 22nd February and school will also re-open to key worker and vulnerable children on this date. Whilst we still eagerly await news from the government about when schools will fully reopen, we request that after half term your child continues to access full time learning (either in school or online) and also continues to give their absolute best effort.

Once again, thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "D. Burnett". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the text "Yours faithfully".

Principal