

Proposals for Online Merit System

In school before lockdown, the merit system was:

- The teacher would give the student a Merit.
- The merit would then be written down into their planners.
- The teacher would then sign it to confirm.

Due to the current guidelines, there is not a way for the teacher to give out the merits and sign our planners. I think there should still be a merit system in place, so here are my suggestions for how the school could create an online system whilst we are all working from home:

1. On google classroom, it is possible to add a document/virtual chart page for each class, which can be stored on each subject teachers Google Class. If the pupil receives a merit, the teacher can write them down onto the sheet next to their name and under the teachers subject. The most important point is that only the teacher can edit the chart.

I have attached a document on this email of what I think the board should look like.

2. The most simple way to copy the existing system easily would be for teachers to give merits in the private comment section of the students submitted work in Google Classroom. It is then the students responsibility to record the merits in their planners.
3. I have noticed in school that the teachers use a system called Capita Sims to record attendance. I have done some research on their website and found that the system also offers a behaviour and achievement system. I think it would be possible for teachers to add merits alongside the class register.

<https://www.capita-sims.co.uk/training/course/3874/management-of-behaviour-and-achievement>

In conclusion, I believe that option 2 would be the most straightforward system to put into place if we are only going to be homeschooling for a short period of time. Whereas, if homeschooling is going to continue for longer than the February half-term, I think option 1 is the best option. Option 3 is definitely a possibility but as I haven't seen the Capita System in its entirety and have not gained a full understanding of how this system works, I still think it is possible

for it to work and am willing to look into this further if you think that this is the best solution.

I hope this is useful. If you have any feedback or questions please let me know.

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