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Dear Parent/Carer

After a great first two weeks of welcoming the students back at Dene Magna, I would like to write to you about an exciting new development that we have launched this academic year. As you may be aware this year we will be using a student app/portal to aid in communication with students. This will tie in with the parent app which we launched last year.

We are doing this to make things more visible and accessible:

- Homework will be set on the app/portal and students will be able to review and mark it as completed. This will also allow parents to view homework tasks set, deadlines and support students' independent learning.
- Behaviour will be visible showing positive and negative feedback on a daily basis.
- Attendance will be visible to both the student and the parent via their respective app/portal. This will show attendance marks at the end of each day for AM/PM registrations.

Over the first two weeks of the academic year we have been covering the use of the app/portal with your child(ren) and by the end of the month all students will have been shown how to log into the portal to check things.

Student app

We do encourage students to use the app outside of school hours. If your child would like to also set this up on their mobile device then please follow the below instructions.

<https://www.denemagna.co.uk/page/?title=Video+Tutorials&pid=884>

We have created a set of videos which cover everything from logging in, to how to use the features of the app/portal. All students have been reminded this is not an excuse for having their phone out during school hours, and our stance on mobile phones remains the same.

Parent app/portal

We would like to take this opportunity to encourage all parents to download and use the app to support your son/daughter's educational journey.

If you would like to get the parent app then you need to be down as a main contact for your child(ren). If this is not the case then please contact reception@denemagna.gloucs.sch.uk

You can download the parent app and find useful videos for using it at

<https://www.denemagna.co.uk/page/?title=Video+Tutorials&pid=872>

If you have any problems with the app we can offer limited support via email. Please contact us on mcas@denemagna.gloucs.sch.uk

Kind regards

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