

Dear Parent/Carer,

The Purple Team

I am pleased to inform you that your son/daughter has been selected to join a group within the school known as *The Purple Team*. These students have been identified by their teachers as having the potential to achieve higher grades at GCSE. To support their progress, we will be providing additional challenges within their lessons to ensure they are continually stretched and able to perform at their best.

The students themselves are aware of their potential and the importance of these challenges. To help them stay focused, each has been given a purple highlighter to use whenever they complete a challenge task in lessons. They have also been issued with a purple badge, making it clear to staff and peers that they are part of this high-potential group. Additionally, purple stickers will be placed on the front of their exercise books, ensuring that teachers consistently consider stretch and challenge opportunities when marking their work.

At Walderslade and Greenacre Schools Partnership, we are committed to ensuring that all students reach their full potential. It is nationally recognised that highly able students do not always achieve the top grades they are capable of at GCSE. A recent report highlighted that around 15% of students who scored in the top 10% nationally at age 11 fail to rank in the top 25% at GCSE. We want to change that narrative for our students.

Your support is greatly appreciated, and if you have any questions or would like to discuss this further, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours faithfully,



Ms L Neave
Assistant Headteacher