Pupil Profile

Pupil profiles are being designed in Scottish schools to allow pupils to showcase examples of their learning and to celebrate their achievements both in and out of school. Jordanhill School has created a new pupil profiling system that will be used by all S1 pupils from August 2013 onwards. The Jordanhill School profiling model consists of two parts:

- **The Jordanhill School e-Profile.**
- **Departmental Learning Logs.**

What is the e-profile?

The Jordanhill School e-profile is located on the school portal and allows pupils to save examples of their best work from each subject, capture photographs of their interests and describe their skills and achievements both in and out of school.

Why should pupils complete an e-profile?

- **Metacognition**: By regularly reviewing their learning and thinking about their achievements, pupils develop skills in thinking about how they learn best and how they can improve their learning.

- **Celebrating success:** By encouraging pupils to select their best work and by providing a facility where they can showcase their outside interests and achievements, staff can find out about pupils and comment on their achievements.

- **Preparing pupils for the future:** Applications for work, college and university require pupils to write about their achievements. By starting this process earlier in secondary, pupils should find this easier to do in the senior school.

Who will see the e-profile?

- **Pupils** can only see their own profile.
- **Teachers** can view the profiles of all pupils and can comment on a pupil's profile.

We are also planning to allow **parents** to see the e-profile at the parents' evening at the end of S1. In the future, we would hope that pupils could access their profile at home thus allowing parents to view the profile as it is created.

What are learning logs?

To help pupils reflect on their learning and to keep parents informed about pupil progress, many subject departments use learning logs. These are usually issued after an assessment or project and are designed to help pupils think about their learning and how they can improve.

How can I contribute to the S1 profile ?

- **Talk to your child about their learning.** Prompt them to think about what they have learned, how they learn best and how they can improve.

- **Outside interests.** Help your child to write about/ photograph their interests and hobbies. For example, pupils could be learning an instrument, playing a sport or reading an interesting novel.

- **Learning logs.** Encourage your child to think about their progress and how they can improve. Most importantly, help your child to become a resilient learner with a growth mindset: help them to overcome the fear of getting something wrong and encourage them to see "set-backs" as a natural part of learning.

When can pupils update their profile?

In school: pupils can save examples of their learning whenever they use a computer. They will have time during classes to do this but can also use the computers in school to do this at lunchtimes or after school. Examples of essays they have written, photographs of project work, screenshots of work in school could all be saved.

At home: pupils can write about /capture photos of their learning, hobbies and achievements. They can save these to a memory stick and bring them into school to upload onto their profile. Pupils can e-mail documents to their school e-mail account and upload them to their profile too.