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# **Year 8 Family Partnership Evening**

## **Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> September 2023**

**Paul Hunt** - Deputy Head Teacher

**Lewis Watts** - Assistant Headteacher SLT Line link to Year 8

**Theo Conway Allen** – Head of Year 8

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# What is the purpose of this event?

- Explore the purpose of Partnership Evening
- Share the ethos of the school
- The Year 8 vision
- The Year 8 team
- Our pastoral curriculum, systems and enrichment
- Where does the support look like at Leytonstone?
- How can we work together?
- Important Dates
- Q&A



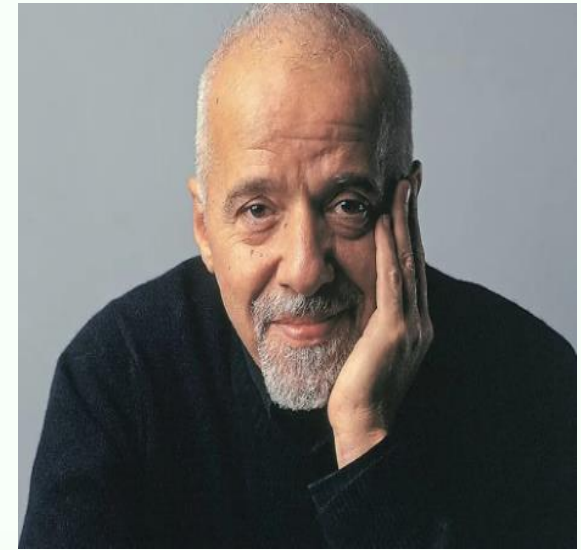


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# Our Ethos

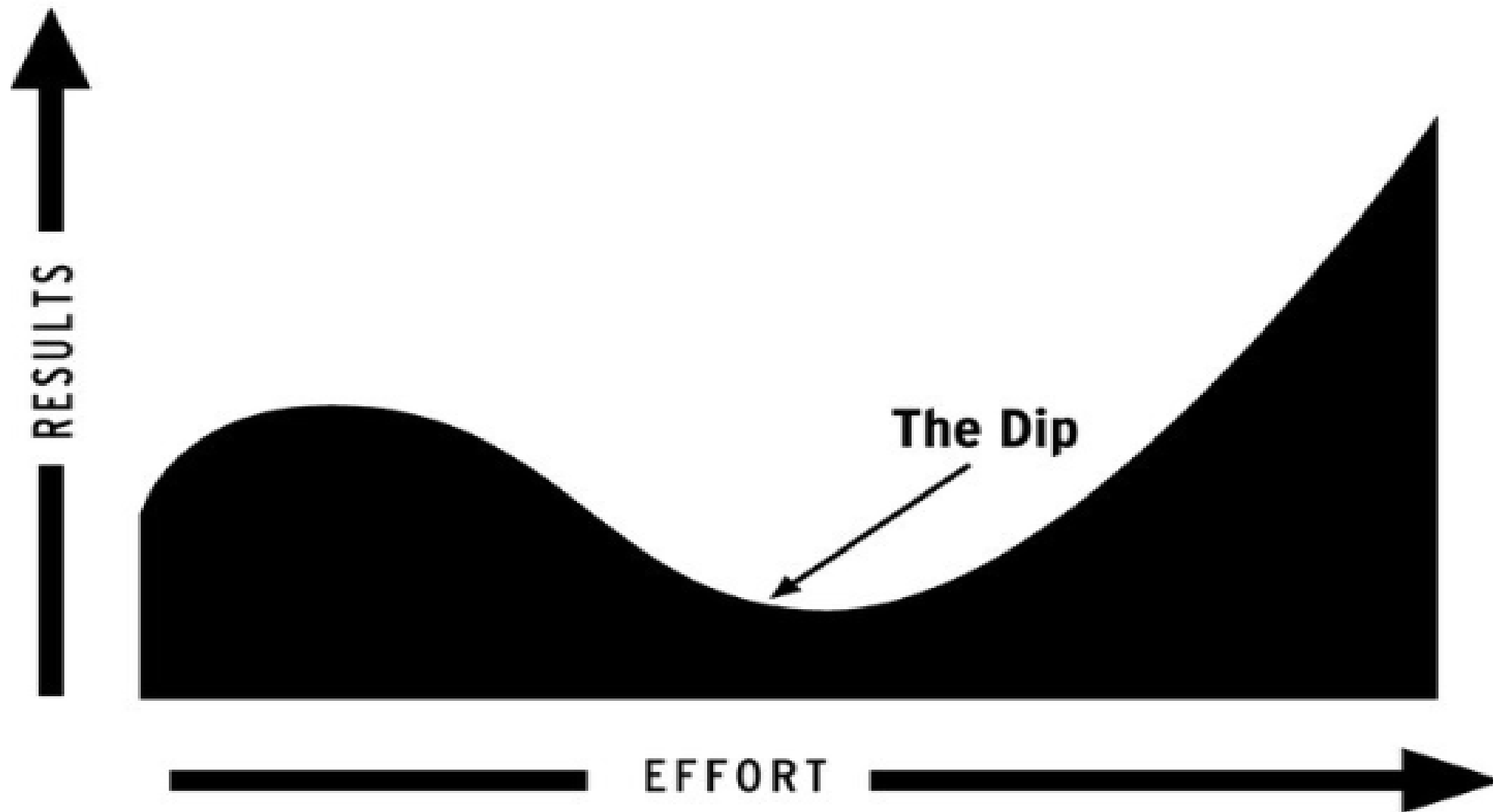
*“Always ask yourself  
if what you are doing  
today is getting you  
where you want to  
be tomorrow”*

Paulo Coelho de  
Souza



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# The Year 8 'Dip'



# Vision for Year 8

Year 8 Ethos Focus: *'Rome was not built in a day'*

*"All members of Year 8 will be **present** in each moment of learning. Year 8 will continue to **progress** by **passionately participating** in the opportunities available to them, and **planning** for their future successes. Year 8 will take **pride** in who they are and what they want to be. Year 8 will seize each moment and **avoid the 'dip'.**"*



## What does this mean?

# The Year 8 Team

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# The Year 8 Pastoral Curriculum

Day	Activity
Monday	Professional Relationship Debates
Tuesday	Leytonstone Canon - Equipment Check
Wednesday	Leytonstone Canon
Thursday	Assembly
Friday	Relationship Building Games

Developing the professional individual  
Literacy/Organisational skills

Literacy skills

Reflection and Celebrations

Developing the bond through fun challenges



## What is the Pastoral Curriculum designed for?



# Our Systems

- Email and Telephone Contact
- Edulink (timetables, attendance, conduct, academic progress reports)
- ParentPay (meals, resources and trips)
- GoogleClassrooms
- Subject Specific Learning Platforms: Sparx and Seneca
- The School website (important information and policies)



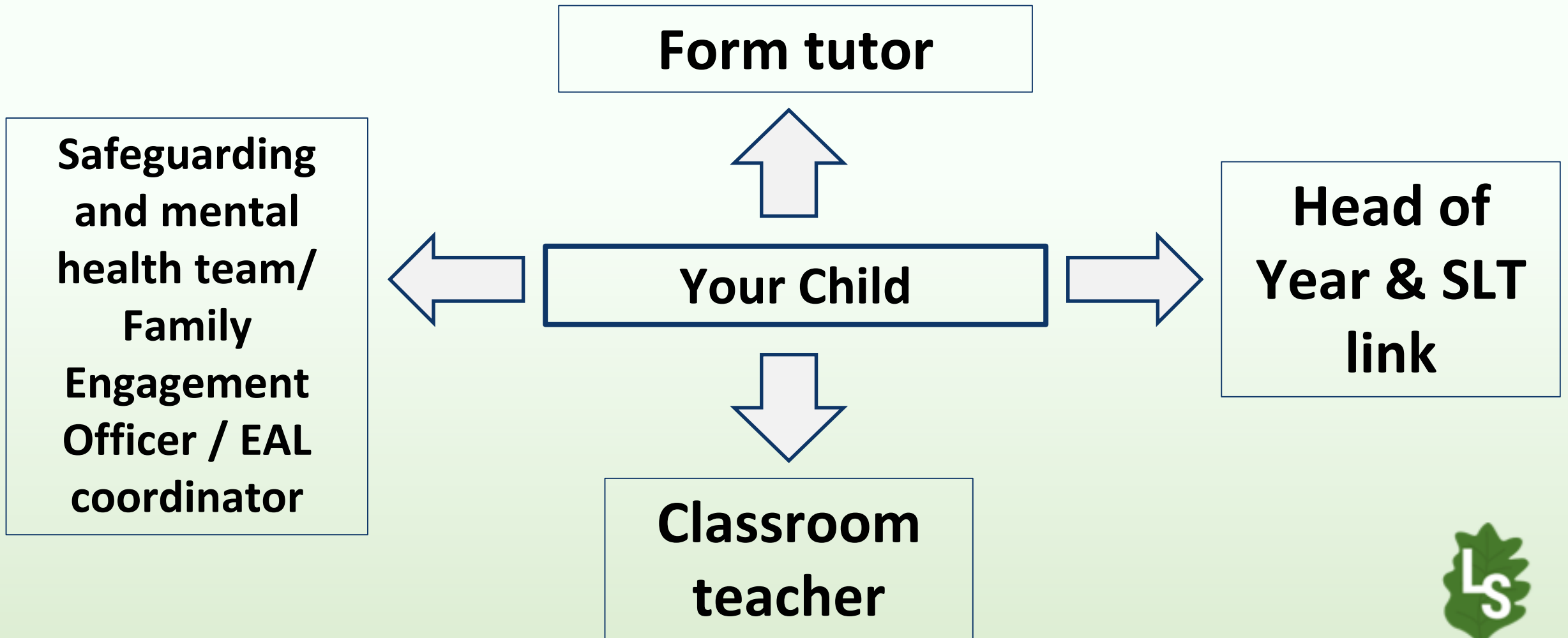
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# Enrichment

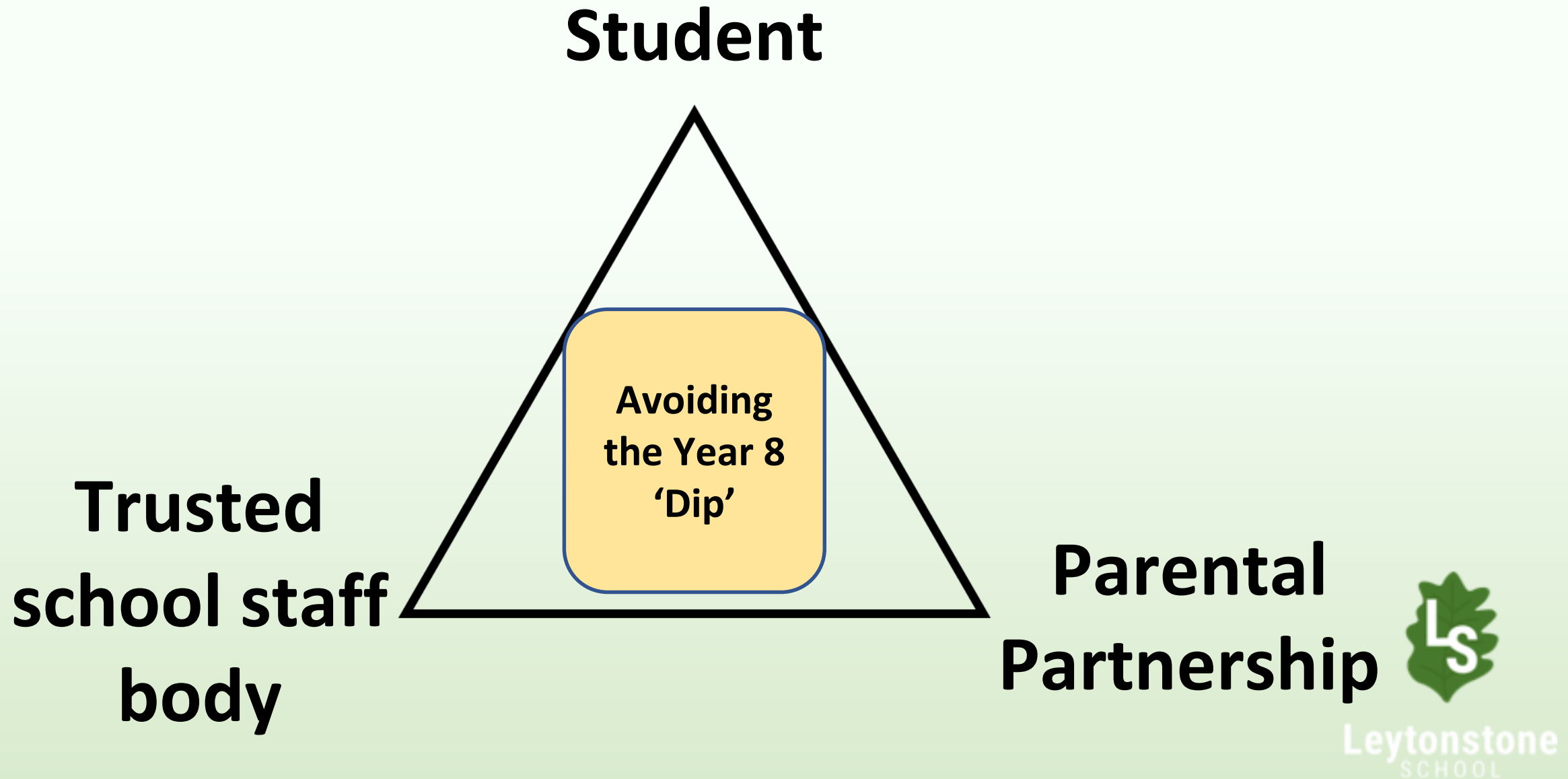
- Extra – Curricular Clubs
- Workshops
- Awareness Days and Cultural Celebrations
- Subject based Trips
- Pastoral based Trips
- Creative Arts Productions
- Year 8 Residential - Spring/Summer Term
- Music Service – Private lessons
- Public Speaking Opportunities



# What does Support look like at Leytonstone



# Working in Partnership



## Parent/Carer Investments in our Year 8 Vision

## What can you do to maximise your child's development and overall progression?

- Ensure high attendance and punctuality
- Engage with our systems - using Curriculum Maps
- Encourage reading for 15 minutes (minimum) per day.
- Encourage them to get involved in extracurricular school life
- Engagement with your child's self-reflection (post report)
- Monitor Google Classroom – Cover to Cover
- Establish a study space (home, school, local libraries)
- Have regular 'check in' conversations (academic progress, behaviour and mental health)
- Monitor phones – WhatsApp groups, TikTok etc...
- Engage in regular and triangulated communication – Year Team email accounts



# How can your child make the most of Year 8?

- Attendance and Punctuality – Over 96% attendance and regularly on time.
- Appropriate presentation: Full uniform and non-uniform items.
- Positive mindset and energy – around school and in every lesson.
- Maintaining a healthy lifestyle: physically, emotionally and socially.
- Developing self awareness e.g. ‘code-switching’ – differentiating behaviour.
- Reading and completing home learning on time – Cover to Cover, 15 minutes a day.
- Seeking support and supporting one another – peers, teachers, form tutors and the leadership team.
- Get involved in school life!



# Family Engagement Partner Drop-in Surgery



**Monday-Friday 8:30am - 13:30 in school or online**

Your child's school issues such as:

- Your child's learning
- Transitions
- Exams and assessments
- Homework
- Behaviour
- Attendance

Whole family support such as:

- Access to Waltham Forest Council services
- Applying for housing and financial benefits
- Looking for immigration advice
- Searching for jobs, filling out application forms and writing CV's
- Adult learning courses, including English as an additional language

To arrange a more suitable time please contact Ms Mentes via email [family@leytonstoneschool.org](mailto:family@leytonstoneschool.org) or call 0208 988 7420 (ext.487)

*'We are proud, a family, a community; we are citizens'*

# Year 8 Important Dates 2021/22

<b>September 2022</b>	19 <sup>th</sup> Year 8 Family Partnership Evening 28 <sup>th</sup> -29 <sup>th</sup> School Production
<b>October 2022</b>	Academic Year 22-23 Reports released 11 <sup>th</sup> Year 6 Open Evening 24 <sup>th</sup> - 28 <sup>th</sup> Half Term Holiday
<b>November 2022</b>	24 <sup>th</sup> Inset Day (1 day)
<b>December 2022</b>	14 <sup>th</sup> - 15 <sup>th</sup> Panto in a Hurry! 20 <sup>th</sup> Extended Form Time - Reports for Term 1 released 22nd End of Autumn Term





# Year 8 Important Dates 2021/22

<b>January 2023</b>	8 <sup>th</sup> Inset Day (1 day) 31 <sup>st</sup> Culture Day
<b>March 2023</b>	27 <sup>th</sup> Extended form time for self reflection. Reports for Term 2 released
<b>April 2023</b>	15 <sup>th</sup> Inset Day (1day) 25 <sup>th</sup> Year 8 Parent/Carer Evening 28 <sup>th</sup> Spring Term Ends
<b>May 2023</b>	27 <sup>th</sup> – 31 <sup>st</sup> Summer Half Term
<b>June 2023</b>	20 <sup>th</sup> – 21 <sup>st</sup> School Production
<b>July 2023</b>	17 <sup>th</sup> Extended form time for self reflection. Reports for Term 3 released 18 <sup>th</sup> Sports Day 24 <sup>th</sup> Summer Term Ends



# Q&A



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