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### Introduction of ULN numbers

A new system of Unique Learner Numbers has been introduced this September to all schools in Wales. It has been introduced by the Welsh Assembly Government. The ULN is similar to a National Insurance number but it relates to all educational qualifications. It is part of the Learner Record held by the Welsh Assembly Government.

This number will stay with a student throughout their life and all subsequent qualifications and training will be linked to this. From September all students Year 9 and above will be issued with a number.

### Why has this been introduced?

This system has been running in England for some time and it has been brought into Wales as it is a way for future employers, Further and Higher Education establishments and training organisations to have a one stop access to students' educational background. It has also been brought in so that all qualifications data can be kept centrally and also it will reduce the opportunity for fraud.

Students will be informed of their number before they leave school and will quote it whenever they achieve qualifications or start a new job.