

14 November 2025

Dear Parent/Carer

The week commencing 24 November, we have the first Year 7 assessment week, during which all year 7 students will have the opportunity to show what they have been learning as well as receiving feedback on areas they need to improve.

Following these assessments, you will receive a report to show you what progress your child is making and how good their attitude towards learning is.

It would be really helpful if you could encourage your child to revise for these assessments and also to arrive at school fully equipped. Revision resources, including revision lists and further details are available on Google Classroom/ClassCharts.

To help you understand what the assessments are about, here are some further details:

English: Pupils will be demonstrating their reading ability through an online reading test, quizzing them on vocabulary acquisition and comprehension.

Maths: Pupils will be assessed on the topics they have covered so far this year, including place value, square numbers, cube numbers and roots, as well as primes and prime factorisation.

Science: The assessment will focus on Forces, Electricity and Energy, as well as skills from the Enquiry topic that they completed at the very beginning of Year 7 and continue to use each lesson.

Geography: Year 7 will be assessed on population and migration. They will need to complete a population pyramid and understand why living in a city can be more beneficial.

History: Pupils will be assessed on 'life in Medieval Britain'. There will be a particular focus on the impact of the Black Death and the causes of the Peasants' Revolt which pupils will be required to complete extended written answers for.

French/German: The assessment covers the topics we've looked at since September- phonics, everyday classroom language, animals, numbers, colours and members of the family. It focuses on the four key skills of Listening, Reading, Speaking and Writing.

REP: Year 7 students have recently begun a new topic on Christianity, with a particular focus on the New Testament. The assessment will cover Creation, Original Sin and moral behaviour, including the story of King David.

DT: The assessment will cover a range of questions based around the materials, processes and skills within the discipline they have been learning about in their current rotation: Textiles, Product Design or Food. For example - applique in textiles, CAD/CAM in Product Design and following a recipe and knife skills in Food.

Computing: The assessment will test their ability to solve problems in the familiar setting of block based programming, on their sensible approach to e-safety and wellbeing when using online services such as social media, and on their ability to identify a number of PC components.

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Music: Pupils will be assessed on their recent keyboard skills learning and will perform the well known melody - 'Ode to Joy'. There will be a homework task set on Google Classroom to support them in preparing for this.

Drama: Pupils have been learning some basic drama skills and techniques and working on building up their confidence in the first half term. They will be assessed on their devising and performing skills in a showcase devised performance entitled "The Day That Changed My Life." Written skills are also important in Drama so, students will complete a terminology quiz to check their understanding of key subject specific vocabulary.

PE: Pupils are assessed on every sport/activity they participate in on their rotation of winter sports and activities.

We wish the best of luck to all the Year 7s. If there are any questions about these assessments, students should talk to their class teacher for further information.

Yours sincerely

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