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Dear Parent/Carer

Year 7 Assessment Fortnight

As part of enabling us to identify the progress that students are making at this early stage in Year 7, and to identify any gaps in their learning, Year 7s will have small assessments over this half term in their subjects. The assessments will take place in lessons and teachers will inform each class when their specific assessment will take place – this will also be indicated on ClassCharts.

The assessments will be sat in very similar conditions to exams, to start to prepare students for the formal exams that they will take in Key Stage 4 and also to ensure consistency and reliability in the outcomes. Due to the logistics of assessments in Key Stage 3 taking place in lessons time, we are not able to provide extra time or scribes for students. Teachers will, however, take into account students who may be entitled to additional arrangements in formal exams when providing a grade.

I have attached an overview of the assessment coverage to provide parents with an appreciation of the content being covered in the assessment and to enable you to further support your child at home

If you have any queries regarding the subject assessments, please contact your child's teacher in the first instance.

Yours sincerely

Mrs R Mason
Deputy Headteacher

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Subject	Duration	Content
Art	2 lessons, 1 hour each	Drawing assessment primary source observation forming part of the 'Still Life' project. Lesson 1: Outline, shape and proportion. Lesson 2: Tonal value, shading and texture.
Computer Science	45 minutes	A range of multiple-choice questions and written questions to assess students understanding of how to stay safe online, the use of email tools, secure use of passwords and use of Onenote. This will also test students understanding on Scratch programming (variables, loops, broadcasting etc).
Design & Technology	30 minutes (1 written and 1 practical project)	The design process, materials properties and the safe use of tools and equipment in the workshop.
Drama	1 hour	Assessed on team work to stage a short performance in a genre. Retrieval quiz and self assessment.
English	1 hour	Extended PETAL analysis of a character from the novel they are currently studying (Bone Sparrow or Private Peaceful). Students will be informed which character they will be focusing on and will have preparation lessons on this.
Food Technology	1 lesson.	Practical remake assessment – key skill knife skills.
Geography	50 minutes	Geography Skills topic: use of direction, 4 and 6 figure grid references, OS map symbols, use of scale, locational knowledge of the world (continents and oceans)
History	1 hour	The assessment will cover chronological understanding, the history of Brookfield and the Roman Empire, basically all content covered so far in Year 7. This will take the form of a content knowledge test done in timed conditions in class.
Maths	Baseline test already completed	Baseline assessment completed to inform setting of pupils – ongoing topic tests in class completed regularly.
Music	1 hour	A performance of their rhythm composition, retrieval quiz and self assessment.
Science	1 hour	The test will assess the following modules - Organisms 1 cells and movement and Introduction to science – scientific practical skills e.g. hazards, equipment, methods, tables, graphs, conclusions, evaluations and fair tests.
R.E.	2 lessons	One to two paragraphs on how religion has changed and why we study religion in school. Mock exam on everything covered in the year in preparation for formal assessments.