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Dear Parent/Carer

Year 7 Assessment Fortnight

As part of enabling us to identify the progress that students are making and support and identify any gaps in learning, Year 7s will commence their assessment fortnight from Monday 10th March 2025. During this time students will complete assessments in all of their subjects, with the exception of PE where on-going assessment takes place during the year. 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 exam conditions, 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. Students have been informed that these assessments are taking place and have been provided with some guidance regarding how best to prepare, both by teachers and through an assembly. 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 who may be entitled to it during their formal exams in Year 11. Teachers will, however, take into account students who may be entitled to access arrangements in the 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

Y7 Assessment Fortnight

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. Retrieval quiz and self-assessment.
English	2 lessons; 1 hour for each section	Section A: Reading response to a short fiction extract. Questions will include comprehension and analysis using PETAL paragraphs. Section B: Writing to describe linked to the work they did in the autumn term on Greek mythology.
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. Population Topic- understanding of population and population density. Coasts Topic- Coastal processes- erosion, transportation and deposition, coastal erosion, coastal landforms, coastal defences.
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	2 lessons; 1 hour for each section	2 papers, one non-calculator (section a) and one calculator (section B) assessing all content covered at each respective tier in Y7, plus some prior knowledge from Primary School. Full revision lists to be shared for each group on class charts.
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. Introduction to science – scientific practical skills e.g. hazards, equipment, methods, tables, graphs, conclusions, evaluations and fair tests. Matter 1: particle model and their properties, changes of state and separation techniques. Forces 1: Different types of forces and their effects. Genes 1: Genetics, variation, adaptations, evolution by natural selection and extinction.
R.E.	1 hour	One summative exam on all content studied so far.
French	1 hour	Listening Reading and Translation into English and French on the following topics: Opinions, numbers, time, school subjects, descriptions (eyes, hair). Phonics will also be assessed.
Spanish	1 hour	Listening Reading and Translation into English and Spanish on the following: Numbers, colours, family, age, 'tengo' time, me gusta. Phonics will also be assessed.