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Wednesday 3rd November 2021

Dear parents/carers of Year 7 students,

As you will be aware from the Principal's newsletter sent on 22 October, Year 7 students will be taking CAT4 assessments next week. These are a series of short tests which assess a student's reasoning abilities in key areas, and are used by many schools. They will tell us more about your child's verbal, non-verbal, quantitative and spatial reasoning and will be used alongside other data to provide students with target grades. These assessments will also be used alongside assessment data from this term to support in the process of placing students into sets after the Christmas holiday.

No preparation is necessary and there is no pre-learning or knowledge required to complete the test. As such, please reassure your child not to be worried about this assessment.

There are three assessments in total which will be completed over the course of the day. The tests will be carried out on iPads; please ensure your child brings into school a pair of earphones/headphones on the day of their assessment. Please note the dates below when tests will take place for each family group; there are a few changes to the dates previously sent round.

Monday 8 November: 7KHS, 7AGZ

Tuesday 9 November: none

Wednesday 10 November: 7AHN, 7DOE

Thursday 11 November: 7LFK, 7JME

Yours sincerely,

Tom Greenwood
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