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Dear Parent/Carer

Year 7 to 9 Formal Assessments

I am writing to inform you that all students in Years 7 to 9 will undertake formal assessments between Monday 24 May and Friday 18 June 2021. These assessments will provide class teachers with in-depth information regarding your child's progress and understanding of the subject. It will also be used to support your child to improve.

The assessment weeks for each year group are as follows:

Year 7: 24 - 28 May Year 8: 07 - 11 June Year 9: 14 - 18 June

In Years 7 and 8 all assessments will take place in classrooms. In Year 9 the assessments for English, Mathematics and Science will take place in the main hall with all other assessments taking place in classrooms.

Student Preparation

Over the next week, class teachers will provide your child with further information about their assessments. This will include guidance on what to revise and where to revise from. Resources to help with revision will also be provided. There will also be an assembly next week which will fully explain the assessment process to your child and offer practical guidance on how to prepare. Staff from the SEN department will be working closely with teachers to ensure that any students who require additional support in their assessments will receive this. For those students who receive additional support, this will communicated home so you are aware of the measures which will be put in place.

Results

The assessment results will inform our curriculum planning for September and will also be used to identify any catch-up which may be required due to the school closures. They will also allow teachers to identify any gaps in students' knowledge. Following the assessments, students will be given question-level feedback by their class teacher. This will help your child to understand which questions they performed well on and which questions they may need more support with. They will then be provided with practical next steps to ensure they are able to work on the topics and skills they need most focus on.

Next term you will be provided with an end of year report indicating your child's progress in each subject.

If there are any further queries regarding these assessments, please email admin@kings.patrust.org.uk

Yours faithfully

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