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Dear Parent/Carer

Year 10 Formal Assessments

I am writing to inform you that all students in Year 10 will undertake formal assessments in the majority of subjects that they study between **Monday 17 January and Friday 21 January 2022**.

These exams will provide Class Teachers with in-depth information regarding your child's understanding and progress in all their courses.

To ensure students gain experience in sitting exams they will sit their exams in the same location we expect them to be sat next Summer. Therefore, most exams will be in the main hall, however where this differs due to subject or exam access arrangements students will be informed of this well in advance.

Student Preparation

Teachers will prepare students for these assessments through their normal day-to-day teaching. Additionally, Form Tutors are delivering a daily revision programme. This has been designed to help students develop excellent habits in terms of revision and exam preparation. The sessions, designed by subject specialists, cover key concepts from each subject area.

Staff from the SEN department will be working closely with Teachers to ensure that any student who requires specific exam access arrangements or additional support will receive this. The SEN team will communicate directly with the Parents/Carers of students who this may affect to ensure that both you and your child are aware of the arrangements which will be put in place.

Results

Following the assessments, students will be given detailed 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 in preparation towards their GCSE exams next year. They will then be provided with practical next steps to ensure that they are able to work on the topics and skills they need most focus on.

You will be provided with a Mid-Year report indicating your child's progress in each subject. You will receive this in advance of the Year 10 Parents/Carers evening, which is scheduled for Thursday 10 February 2022. A further communication will be sent in relation to this in due course.

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

Yours faithfully

Miss P Langston
Deputy Headteacher

