



9 January 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

### **Year 10 Formal Assessments**

Happy New Year to you and your families. I hope you had an enjoyable break and are prepared for 2024. We look forward to continuing our work with students throughout their GCSE courses this year.

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 29 January and Friday 2 February 2024.

These assessments will provide class teachers with in-depth information regarding your child's understanding and progress in all of their courses. Most assessments will take place during normal timetabled lessons; where this differs students will be informed.

### Student Preparation

Class teachers will provide your child with further information about their assessments and will support their preparation through their normal day-to-day teaching. This will include guidance on what to revise and where to revise from, including providing resources to help with revision where needed. There will also be an assembly, which will fully explain the assessment process to your child and offer practical guidance on how to prepare. Staff from the SEND department will be working closely with teachers to ensure that any students who require additional support in their assessments receive this.

### Results and Next Steps

Following the assessments, students will be given detailed 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 to focus on most.

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 scheduled to take place on Thursday 7 March 2024. We value working with you and would strongly encourage you to attend this event so that we can continue working together to support your child.

If there are any queries regarding these assessments, please email [admin@kings.patrust.org.uk](mailto:admin@kings.patrust.org.uk).

Yours faithfully

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