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Dear Parent/Guardian

Year 7 Assessment Week - 5 - 9 June 2017

I am writing to draw your attention to the forthcoming Year 7 Assessment Week that is due to take place from Monday 5 June – Friday 9 June 2017 and what you can do to support your child to prepare for this.

Our Year 7 students will be sitting the new GCSE's that have recently been introduced when they reach Year 11. These examinations not only have different subject content compared to the old GCSE's, but they also have a greater emphasis on the ability to do well in exam conditions and how to remember information.

One way, we believe, to help prepare the students is for them to become familiar with preparing for examinations. They can explore different revision styles, write a revision plan, become familiar with the feeling of sitting examinations and how they can act on the feedback they are given afterwards. I want to reassure you this is not a pass or fail exercise and feedback will be provided by all teachers to students, together with work they will be able to complete to improve their grade in the future.

All subjects will be doing an exam or written assessment with your child during this assessment week. Over the next few weeks we will be talking to the students about how they can revise and making revision plans. Their subject teachers will provide them with information about which topics they need to revise and the format of the assessment.

It is our expectation that in addition to the homework they are receiving from their usual lessons that they will also now be spending time revising for this assessment week.

We will be setting up a google classroom for Year 7 Assessment Week, in order to support students with their revision. Both students and parents will be able to access subject content and revision resources from different subjects through this online classroom. If you are interested in joining the online classroom, please log in using a google account and join the classroom through the code - **4hhchh1**

If you have further questions, then please don't hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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