

18<sup>th</sup> May 2023

Dear Parent / Carer

### **Year 9 Assessments: End of Key Stage and Reading Assessments**

I hope this letter finds you well. Your child will be sitting end of Key Stage assessments during the summer term. Recent Government reforms have seen examination content become more challenging and demanding; we must prepare students to be able to retain knowledge and skills over time and to ensure it is embedded in their long-term memory. By introducing students to formal exams at an early stage, we help them to become familiar with the examination protocol.

End of Key Stage subject assessments will take place from **Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May until Monday 12<sup>th</sup> June** (please see timetable of assessment on reverse of this letter). The assessments will take place in the Sports Hall and will be conducted under exam conditions. Students will be expected to behave respectfully and in silence, students who are not able to adhere to our expectations will be sanctioned and may have to sit the assessment in its entirety after school.

It is important that students take these assessments extremely seriously, as it will help to prepare them for their examination subjects, inform teaching staff of specific gaps in knowledge, assist with setting for Year 10, measure progress towards targets, establish predict grades and allow us to plan for appropriate intervention.

Additionally, students will sit their second reading test as part of our moral mission to raise chronological reading age of all our students. The reading test will last approximately 30 minutes and will be completed online. Information will be shared with parents / carers on end of year assessment results and reading age results in Summer 2.

Should you require further information or additional assistance in supporting your child, please contact specific subject teachers and Heads of Year.

Kind regards

*E. Phelan*

Mrs E Phelan  
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KS3 Achievement

**Year 9 End of Year Assessments**

	<b>Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May</b>	<b>Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Monday 12<sup>th</sup> June</b>
<b>9:00</b>	<b>English</b> <i>All Cohort 50 mins</i>		<b>History</b> <i>All cohort 50 mins</i>		
<b>12:45</b>		<b>Maths Non Calculator</b> <i>All Cohort 50 mins</i>	<b>Geography</b> <i>All cohort 50 mins</i>	<b>Science</b> <i>All Cohort 50 mins</i>	<b>Maths – Calculator</b> <i>All Cohort 50 mins</i>