

2 January 2024

Dear Parent/Carer,

Year 7 Assessment Information

I am writing ahead of the Year 7 assessments, which will take place over a two week period, Monday 29 January to Friday 2 February and Monday 5 February to Friday 9 February 2024. These assessments will take place in class. Your child's teachers will inform them of when their assessment for each subject will take place. This date will also be on Bromcom/MCAS (My Child At School).

These assessments will check learning from across Year 7 so far and will allow your child to demonstrate the progress they are making in the curriculum. We will share the results of these assessments (in the form of a %) in their next tracking report (Tracking 2). This will be sent to parents in March.

Below is a summary of the topic/s your child will be assessed on in each subject, suggested revision timings, revision resources and tasks. I hope you find this helpful in supporting your child's preparation. In addition to this, all homework set from now until the assessment fortnight will be RED review.

I will be running an open revision session for Year 7 students in the lead up to their assessments. The focus of this session will be on how to revise effectively (using RED review techniques). This will take place afterschool on Thursday 4 January in the E block Canteen (3.15pm - 4.15pm).

Please do not hesitate to email me if you have any further questions.

Yours faithfully,

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Week 1: 29 January - 2 February 2024 Week 2: 5 February - 9 February 2024

For your assessments, please bring:

- PRPRC: 2 pens, 2 pencils, ruler, rubber and scientific calculator
- Protractor and a ruler with cm and mm graduations are also required for Maths

Suggested revision timings (1 hour per subject)

Click on this link for some homework and revision strategies

- ❖ 4 x 15 minute slots with 5 minute breaks in between
- ❖ 2 x 30 minute slots with a 10 minute break in between
- Please do not revise for longer than 1.5 hours for each subject

How to revise effectively:		
Students might find these feel harder, especially at first, but they are proven to help things stick	Students often do these as they can feel easier or reassuring, but don't always work	
 <u>RED Revision Strategies</u> Parents / friends testing you Write, cover, learn, write Revision cards and test yourself Quizlets / Seneca Learning Mind maps Keyword tests Reviewing topics you are NOT confident with Practice questions 	 AVOID: Writing notes out for a long time Reading over the textbook / notes for a long time Using untrusted websites Revising with your phone on/music Revising with a laptop or computer where you are tempted to go on Youtube, etc. Reviewing topics you already know really well first 	

Subject information

Week 1 Exams: Monday 29 January - Friday 2 February 2024

Subject	Topic/s	Revision Material
English	Reading - Two extracts on outsiders: one unseen and one from 'Wild Boy'. Short answer questions on the unseen extract and a character analysis on 'Wild Boy'. Writing - write a story opening with a given title.	 'Wild Boy' knowledge organiser How to engage the reader in a story opening How to use language for effect Descriptive writing
Science	Topic 1 - Energy Topic 2 - Nature of Matter Topic 3 - Life on Earth Topic 4 - Forces	Document in the KS3 Science students drive with links to: - Knowledge organisers - Key words - BBC bitesize links - Revision videos
Geography	 YEAR 7 Unit 1: Our Geography: Friend or Foe Year 7 Unit 2: Our Human Planet 	 An assessment revision list and revision resources are linked to BROMCOM & google classroom. This includes all areas you need to revise and also a list of key terms that you need to know. You should use your exercise book to help you revise, that also has the knowledge organisers. BBC Bitesize: Map skills, what is geography, development
German	 Introducing yourself Describing your age and birthday Physical descriptions (you and family) 	 Knowledge organisers in book and on google classroom Class notes Quizlet links in your quizlet class and wordwall links in Google classroom.
Spanish	 Introducing yourself Describing your age and birthday Physical descriptions (you and family) 	 Knowledge organisers in book and on google classroom Class notes Quizlet links in your quizlet class

		and wordwall links in Google classroom.
Maths	Sequences Algebraic Notation Equality and Equivalence Place value and ordering integers and decimals Fraction, decimals and percentages Solving problems with addition and subtraction	Year 7 Maths Revision List

Subject information

Week 2 Exams: Monday 5 February - Friday 9 February 2024

Subject	Topic/s	Revision Material
History	 Silk Roads The Normans 	 Knowledge Organisers in your books and on Google Classroom Exercise books revision task sheets
Religious Studies	 Creation History of the Israelites 	 Knowledge organisers in books Exercise books - notes from lessons, worksheets ect. Flashcards created for homework with key words and definitions
French	 School subject and opinions Free time activities you like/dislike and why 	 Knowledge organisers in book and on google classroom Class notes Quizlet links in your quizlet class and wordwall links in Google classroom.
Computer Science	How to use a computer safely, ethically and responsibly Microbits	 <u>Using computers safely Knowledge</u> <u>Organiser</u> <u>Microbits Knowledge Organiser</u>

The following subjects will not be setting an in class assessment during this assessment window:

- Art
- There will be no formal assessment during these weeks. Tracking will be based on recent ongoing sketchbook work developed in lesson time.
- Drama
 - There will be no formal written assessment during these weeks. Tracking will be based on recent group performance work and written evaluation.
- Technology / Food Technology / Textiles
 - Assessment for tracking has already been completed due to the rotation system.
- Physical Education

- Students are assessed formatively throughout the year in the different activities they complete. We assess across the three pillars of Skills, Mind and Healthy participation. We then use this data to create a summative assessment on their progress in Physical Education.

Music

- There will be no written assessment for this round of tracking. Students will be assessed on recent performance and composition work done in class.