

20 May 2024

Dear Parent/Carer

Year 9 Tracking-3 Assessments

After the May half-term break your child will be sitting their end of year assessments for this academic year. These will be taking place during the week commencing Monday 3 June 2024. For all subjects, Tracking-3 assessments will be taking place in classrooms under examination conditions during lesson time.

The purpose of these assessments is to inform Tracking-3 and to identify gaps in your child's understanding. For any subjects where students are grouped based on ability, these assessments will also be used to ensure your child is in the appropriate class as they move into the next academic year.

This is particularly important as your child moves from Year 9 into Year 10 as for some subjects, the set that your child is in will determine whether your child is studying the Foundation or Higher GCSE course in that subject. The tier that your child is studying for has a direct impact on the grades that your child can achieve when they sit their GCSE examinations at the end of Year 11 and so it is vital that your child is in the correct set for their ability as they enter Key Stage 4.

Preparation for Assessments

To best prepare your child for the Tracking-3 assessments, each subject has collated a revision list with all of the topics that could be assessed in the assessment. Your child has received a copy of this from their class teacher and has been told how to use this to revise in the build up to the assessments.

Revision lists for all subjects have also been uploaded onto Microsoft Teams and ClassCharts so that both you and your child can easily access these. We would greatly appreciate your support in encouraging your child to use these to prepare for the assessments.

Students who demonstrate an excellent attitude towards preparing for these assessments will be rewarded by the Year Teams.

If you have any further questions about the upcoming assessments please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours faithfully

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