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Dear Parent / Carer

Year 9 GL Assessments

Twice a year we conduct GL English assessments in line with all other WeST schools, using this information to ensure that the Year 9 curriculum meets the needs of all our students. The first assessment is timetabled for next week and will happen during normal English lesson time, with your child's usual English teacher invigilating and offering support. The assessment takes approximately 30 minutes.

The assessments are completed on-line and students will sit them in a computer suite. Students will be using headphones supplied by the college unless they would like to bring their own. Please note, headphones will need to have a normal jack plug (i-phone leads will not work) as they will be plugged into the computer units.

Students will be expected to work in silence under usual exam conditions. However, invigilators are allowed to support students with any technical issues, so please make sure your son/daughter knows they can ask for help if they are experiencing any technical problems such as logging in. We will be making sure that technical support is available during the tests to help with any issues that may arise.

The assessments start with some practice questions so students will be able to settle in before starting the real test and students can answer most of the questions at their own pace.

Please reassure your son/daughter that there is no preparation needed in advance of these tests.

Yours faithfully,

Mr J Bradford
Assistant Headteacher

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