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Dear Parent / Carer

Key Stage 3 Mid-Year Assessments, 13 January to 31 January

Next week students in Years 7, 8 and 9 will commence their mid-year assessments. Students know about these and teachers have been preparing them for assessments for a while now.

Assessments will run during normal timetabled lessons and take up to one hour to complete. For English, Science, History, Geography and Modern Foreign Languages, assessments will take place in our IT suites. Students will access their assessment via Teams and this will be scheduled in advance for them. When timetabling the assessments in the IT suites, we have been very careful to make sure that students are sitting no more than two assessments per day in order to maintain a balanced work load.

This week, we are issuing every student with a unique exam number. Please ask your son/daughter to look after this number carefully as they will enter it at the start of every assessment. This will help us when we come to analyse the results so that we can adapt our curriculum where needed and offer the best level of support and intervention to meet the needs of all students moving forwards.

As always, attendance is very important and, in light of this, we will be running catchup sessions for any assessments missed. The results of all assessments will be published in the next report and will be sent to you later this term.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish your son / daughter good luck in their upcoming assessments.

Best wishes

John Bradford
Assistant Headteacher

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