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8th January 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

Key Stage 3 Rank Order Assessment - Year 8 and 9

I am writing to you to make you aware that the first assessment point for Year 8 and 9 will open on Monday 13th January and will run for a period of five days. During this time, students will sit in class assessments across all of their subjects. The purpose of the assessments is to test students' knowledge and understanding of the content delivered during Term 1 and 2.

As you will recall from last term, we have changed the way in which performance from these assessments will be displayed and reported to both parents / carers and students. We will be providing the following information for all subjects that assess using written examinations:

- Raw score.
- Average raw score across the cohort.
- Highest raw score across the cohort.
- Statement linked to progress compared to Key Stage 2 attainment.

In addition, for the EBACC subjects (English, Maths, Science, French, Geography and History) we will provide you with your child's assessment performance position within the year group. This information will also be displayed within school in an anonymised form.

We believe that the changes we have made to assessment during Key Stage 3 will help raise the achievement of all students at the school whilst focusing upon the progress made as opposed to a 'current working at' GCSE style grade. Should you wish to read more information regarding the use of Rank Order Assessment, there is a FAQ document that can be found on our website under the parent tab.

Thank you for your continued support as parents/carers as we strive to be really ambitious for all young people.

Yours sincerely

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