

January 2024

Dear parent/carer

As specified in our previous communications your child will be shortly involved in some whole school assessments.

Assessment window: 22nd – 28th January 2024

Your child will have an assembly about the expectations of these assessments and their examination conduct. We support all pupils with their formal examinations making sure they build the excellent routines for learning. Pupils have been given revision materials and have been working on study skills in form time to encourage them to develop the habits we want to support academic success. This has involved their ability to self-quiz and create flash cards.

Success in any formal assessment is linked to good attendance. A pupil who misses 17 days (with an average of 91%) on average will be a grade less in that year group. Please ensure your child has 100% attendance.

Parents often ask us how they can support their child. Please ensure that your child is completing all of their homework, you can see their work which is set on Classcharts, Sparx Maths, Sparx Reader and the Seneca areas and you are able to monitor their completion. A copy of your child's curriculum and pupil knowledge organisers are on our website. You are able to see exactly what your child is learning about in each subject, at any time and access the core knowledge they need for these topics.

Pupils will sit a mixture of assessments in the examination hall and in class lessons. All will be in examination conditions – in silence.

Reporting of assessments

All pupils get a report at the end of the year that highlights their percentage in the test, their effort in the subject and their ranking in the year group. We are continuing to develop this approach. Pupils in English and Maths will be made aware of their position in relation to their class and year group and this will be shared with them. It will support them to target set and track their progress over their time at school, and we will look at the progress they make in their June assessments 2024. Further information on this will be sent to parents along with the reporting systems at the end of the academic year.

Yours Sincerely

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