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Dear Parent / Carers

I am writing to confirm the schedule of assessments for students in Years 12 and 13. This set of assessments will take place in the coming weeks and will enable subject areas to collect additional pieces of evidence to demonstrate student achievement at the end of the two year course.

You can access the Year 12 and 13 Assessment Schedule by clicking [here](#). I can confirm that:

- Students will only be assessed on the subject content that they have been taught.
- Most of the assessments will take place during normal lesson time in the classroom.
- A small selection of assessments will take place in the main hall.
- Subject teachers will provide details of the topics that students need to revise for each assessment. They will also signpost revision resources that students may find useful in their preparations.

Please take some time to look at the assessment schedule very carefully with your son/daughter. Lesson time in all subjects will concentrate on the preparation required for the final internal assessments as per the assessment schedule. Students studying BTEC subjects, GCSE Art and GCSE PE will focus on completing outstanding units required for each of these courses.

In addition to the preparation work that will take place during lesson time, some subject areas will be offering some after school revision sessions. These will be advertised via subject areas.

If students have any questions or concerns regarding the assessments, they should speak to their subject teacher or tutor in the first instance.

Please can I insist that at the PCM or by any other means, that parents and students do not ask teachers for predicted grades or upcoming assessment marks. We are waiting for details from Ofqual on the standards required for each subject. Teachers will not be able to provide you with this information. Please refer to 'working at grades' that have already been submitted. UCAS predictions have been generated for the purposes of obtaining offers from university and should NOT be taken as a teacher's final prediction of an expected grade. Thank you for your understanding on this matter.

At this time we are working towards a Year 13 leavers' date of Thursday 27th May, however this is yet to be confirmed by the Department for Education (DfE). We are in the process of planning some end of Year 13 celebration events but as you will appreciate we are very limited on what we can organise this year. I will speak to Year 13 students about this and confirm details when we are able.

Once again, thank you for your ongoing support.



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