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Dear parent/carer

On Monday we start our assessment weeks for Years 7, 8 and 9. This year we are doing these a little bit differently to previous years. Due to lockdowns and periods of time spent doing remote learning, we wanted to support the mental well-being of our students by not making a formal and rigid exam week for them. Instead, class assessments will happen in their usual classroom, unless arrangements have been made to support individual students' needs. These assessments will be with their own class teacher to offer further reassurance. Learning has been different over the past year and we wanted to make sure that students see these assessments as a normal part of what happens in schools and in their lessons. As teachers we assess regularly in many different ways, and we see these assessments as part of our role in understanding where any gaps are in your child's learning to help us to plan our teaching.

I appreciate that for some the more relaxed way of assessing our younger students may bring its own issues as we have not provided an assessment timetable. However, students should have revision lists and they have been notified on SMHW to the timing of their assessment. When your child is not being assessed in their lessons, there will be a structured revision session by their class teacher. As a parent or carer your support in speaking to your child about their assessments would be appreciated.

Thank you for your understanding in this matter.

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