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Dear Parent/ Carer,

Students in Years 7-10 will be sitting assessments in our second Assessment Week of 2021/22. There are three formal assessment weeks each academic year which help us to monitor progress towards Summit Steps and ensure all students are securing the knowledge they need to be successful. In March students will have their second Assessment Week of this academic year.

Year 7 and 9 have their Assessment Week 7th-11th March.

Year 8 and 10 have their Assessment Week 14th-18th March.

The Year 10 students will sit their "An Inspector Calls" English Literature paper on Wednesday 2nd March before their Assessment Week. The exam halls will be set up for the Year 11 mock exams, and this will give the Year 10 students a chance to experience real exam conditions. Students will learn details in their English lessons and through assembly. Parents can learn more about this exam, the assessment weeks and revision strategies by joining us at the Year 10 GCSE 'Steps to success' parent information evening from 6:00pm on Wednesday 23rd February.

On the next page you will find the list of topics which will be assessed in the week, which will help students prepare themselves over the half-term break and during the week.

These assessments will be completed in class during normal lesson time, and teachers will further prepare students in the minutes before the assessments so that they have the best possible chance of succeeding. The information from these assessments will be used in conjunction with the teachers' understanding of the students' classwork and Extended Learning to inform the report which you will receive in April.

Last year, students in Year 11 completed assessments to provide evidence for their Teacher Assessed Grades. They reported that the more assessments they completed, the more comfortable they felt, and the more they were able to perform to their highest possible standard.

Assessment Weeks provide a similar opportunity for students in Years 7-10, whereby each cycle of assessments feels more familiar. Our ambition is that the exam season at the end of Year 11 will feel familiar and that all of our students can perform to the very best of their ability.

If students have any questions about the assessments in a particular subject, they should consult that subjects' Google Classroom or their teacher for that subject.

Thank you for your continued support,

Yours sincerely,

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