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Dear Parent/Carer

Re: Year 7 and Year 8 Assessments

You will know that we have changed the way that we report to parents this year. I hope that you have found it useful to see the specific information about how your child is doing compared to their year group. Alongside this we are changing the way that we assess the progress of students at Key Stage 3. As part of this, all Year 7 and Year 8 students will sit a series of assessments in the week beginning 3rd June.

They will learn more about the specific nature of these assessments in time before half term. Each assessment will be summative test of their year so far; this means that anything that they have covered this year may come up as part of the assessment.

In order to fully demonstrate their ability in these assessments your child may need some support revising. They may well need some pointers on creating a suitable space and organising their time to revise. Although there are many places you can find good quality advice about revision itself, it is worth me writing here that the purpose of revision is to help recall of information: it is an active process, not a passive one. In other words, students learn best by doing – actively working with information. Although some students might tell adults that they learn best by watching videos without taking notes, or only reading their exercise book, this is not good revision. You can find a good film on this here:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zw8qpbk#zh38wnb>.

Whilst students can use their lesson materials and online platforms, we have asked all subject leaders to create revision materials.

The resources for Year 7 can be found here:

<https://trinityschoolcumbria.sharepoint.com/sites/Year7RevisionResources>.

The resources for Year 8 can be found here:

<https://trinityschoolcumbria.sharepoint.com/sites/Year8RevisionResources>.

Please be aware that your child will need to 'follow' the site by clicking the follow icon in the top righthand corner of the webpage that opens up when you follow the above link. All the documents can be found on the 'Documents' tab.

Your child will need their school username and password to access this folder. In some of the revision material you will find subject content, and in others you will find links to revision sites, recordings or film. Students will find a link to these resources in Class Charts, as well. Please remember that each assessment is a summative test of the year so far; this means that anything your child has covered this year may come up as part of the assessment.

Each individual assessment will be done in your child's lessons, and students with extra time allowance will be given this within the lesson itself. If your child is in the Home Group their assessments will be done differently and Mrs Hadley will be in communication with you.

Yours faithfully,

Mr Hopkins
Deputy Headteacher