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Dear parent / Carer

I would like to take this opportunity to inform you of some extra academic assessments for our Year 7 and 8 cohort that will take place week commencing 15th November.

As we would like to fully understand our pupils' potential, all Year 7 and 8 pupils will complete a series of Cognitive Ability Tests (4) during three lessons of Maths and Science. Pupils should not concern themselves with the outcomes of these tests; nor should they prepare for them in any way. They should see the occasion as an opportunity to reflect on their ability.

Cognitive Ability Test 4 will provide a unique profile of strengths and weaknesses across four batteries:

- **Verbal Reasoning** – the ability to express ideas and reason through words is essential to subjects with a high language content, and the most obvious skill picked up by traditional assessment.
- **Non-verbal Reasoning** – problem-solving using pictures and diagrams; skills which are important in a wide range of school subjects, including maths and science-based subjects.
- **Spatial Reasoning** – the capacity to think and draw conclusions in three dimensions, needed for many STEM subjects, but not easily measured by other datasets.
- **Quantitative Reasoning** – the ability to use numerical skills to solve problems, applicable well beyond mathematics.

In light of the absence of KS2 SATS data, we anticipate that these tests will provide us with a rounded profile of pupil ability so that we can target support, provide the right level of challenge and make informed decisions about pupils' future progress.

If you would like to access further information about these tests, then please contact myself at school or follow the link provided <https://www.g1-assessment.co.uk/>

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully

Mr P Delaney
Assistant Head teacher



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