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Dear Parents/Carers

I hope your son/daughter has had a positive start to Year 7. I am writing to inform you about the upcoming Year 7 Baseline Assessments in English, Maths, and Science that are scheduled for all pupils within the CET Trust secondary schools during the week commencing 18 September. These assessments are an important step in our commitment to providing a well-rounded education for our students and are aimed at gaining a clear baseline picture of their current academic abilities.

First and foremost, I want to emphasise that there is **absolutely no need for students to revise or prepare** specifically for these assessments. They are not designed to be tests that students must study for, but rather a way for us to better understand where our students are at in terms of their knowledge and skills when they enter Year 7. The results of these assessments will help subject teachers tailor their teaching and support to meet the individual needs of each student. Whilst we don't expect students to revise, we do expect that they take the assessment seriously and work to the very best of their ability, so that we are provided with an accurate picture of their academic levels.

Your child will take a baseline assessment in each of the core academic subjects: English, Maths, and Science.

We understand that this transition to secondary school can be both exciting and challenging for our Year 7 pupils. Our aim is to provide them with the best possible learning experience, and the baseline assessment is an essential tool in achieving this goal. By understanding each student's starting point, we can develop strategies and interventions to support their progress and ensure their success throughout their time in secondary school.

We will ensure that all students receive clear information about the assessment, including the date, time, and location. Please encourage your child to approach this assessment with a positive mindset and without any undue stress. We are here to support you and your child through this transition and ensure a successful start to their secondary education journey. If you have any concerns please, in the first instance contact the Head of Year, Mrs Knight emily.knight@hartschool.org.uk who is the pastoral point of contact.



Thank you for your ongoing support and partnership in the education of our students. We look forward to working together to provide the best possible learning experience for all Year 7 pupils at the Hart School and wider CET Trust.

Yours sincerely

Simon Curzon
Assistant Principal – Data and Assessment