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Our Ref: AMA Yr 9 Assessments

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Dear Parents/Carers

Re: Year 9 Assessment week commencing Monday, 22nd January 2024

We have shared with your child this week their assessment timetable for the week commencing Monday, 22nd January and their tutors have explained how the assessment will run using these slides, [click here](#).

The aim of the assessment week is to provide your child with the experience of revising for, and sitting, a number of assessments within a given time period. The data gathered will be used by teachers to give personalised feedback to your child in order for them to make progress in their subjects, it will also be used for reporting purposes. The assessment timetable can be viewed [here](#).

Exam Access Arrangements

The majority of our students will be able to sit formal assessments without the need for any exam access arrangements. However, if your child has a disability or special educational need they may be entitled to these. Access Arrangements allow learners with special educational needs, disabilities or temporary injuries to access the assessment without changing the demands of the assessment. Statutory guidance dictates that these arrangements can only be provided where there is a "substantial and long-term impairment". They cannot be applied where there are minor problems with reading, writing or where there is nervousness or low-level anxiety about exams. In years 7-9 the school is required to firmly establish a picture of need and the normal way of working for students. This assessment period will allow further evidence of need to be gathered to help identify any arrangements required. Formal exam access applications for students cannot be made to the exam boards until the summer term of year 9 at the earliest. If your child has any arrangements in place as their normal way of working this will be confirmed prior to the assessments.

Your child has also been shared, via their year 9 google classroom, evidence-based revision strategies, which include links to videos explaining why they work, and a template to make their own revision timetable. We would value your support in having them opt in to personalising their revision timetable and encouraging and testing them during the revision process. Your child's subject teachers have shared with them the topics they will need to revise. Please click [here](#) to access year 9 revision resources.

We would really appreciate our parents and carers opting in to support and are happy to hear from you should you have any questions, please contact us at admin@cchs.school.

Yours faithfully

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