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Dear Blaise families,

This letter is about the Unit 1 Y7-9 assessments that will take place from **Monday 24th November to Friday 5th December**.

During this time, every student in Y7-9 will sit a 30-minute exam for each subject. Exams will all have the same structure: 10 questions from the Knowledge Organiser, and 20 multiple choice questions that test knowledge from across the Unit. Assessments have been designed so that if students have prepared effectively they will have sufficient time in 30 minutes to show off all that they have learnt.

Attending school every day in the build up to these assessments is crucial for students to have the best chance of being successful. By doing this, students will see multiple choice questions in their regular lessons, they will take part in Curriculum Review lessons where key aspects of the curriculum will be re-taught, and they will be shown how to use revision resource booklets to help them revise at home for their assessments. We know that success in Year 10 and 11 exams is built on being in lessons every single day, and we have modelled our Year 7, 8 and 9 assessments on this same principle.

During the assessments, we will run some catch-up sessions for core assessments, but we cannot guarantee that students will complete missed assessments. Just like in their final Year 11 exams, the only way for each student to ensure that they sit their exams is by being there on the day itself.

Timeline

Thursday 13th Nov	Students will be given their revision resource booklet. This booklet will contain revision questions and answers for each subject, with guidance on what practice to do if students get questions wrong.
Friday 14th Nov	This section of our website gives information about our assessments. The website will contain the assessment timetable, the Unit 1 knowledge organiser and revision resource booklets.
Thursday 18th Dec	Your child's Unit 1 Assessment Report will be shared on the MCAS app, and a copy will be handed to them at school. If you haven't signed up for the MCAS app, please find information online here .
Wednesday 7th Jan	All students will receive a new timetable with their new group and teachers.

Throughout the assessment window, students are still required to complete Sparx and self-quiz following the dates in the knowledge organiser. Their weekly knowledge organiser quizzes will also continue. By completing quizzes, homework and using their revision resource booklets, we know that students will be able to perform well in their assessments.

Thank you for the guidance you give to your child every single day. We know that if they attend school every day, self-quiz with Integrity 6 times each week, and use their revision resource booklets to revise in preparation for each assessment, then they will be successful. The role that families play in helping this to happen is vital, and something that we really appreciate.

Good luck to all of our students throughout the assessment window, we're excited to see what scores you can produce!

Yours faithfully,

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