



9th October 2020

Dear Parents/Carers of Year 7 pupils

At Etone College we made the decision not to formally test our Year 7 pupils during the first few weeks as we felt it was important that pupils settle back into school life and learning in a new environment.

As we approach the end of the first half term we will be conducting a series of formal assessments in English and Mathematics in November. Assessments will take place during normal lesson times as follows:

Date	Subject	Duration
Monday 9 th November	English	1 hour 20 minutes
Wednesday 11 th November	Mathematics Paper 1 Non-calculator	1 hour
Wednesday 18 th November	Mathematics Paper 2 Calculator	1 hour

These assessments will provide subject teachers with invaluable data on your child's current progress. **This information, combined with your child's performance in lessons since starting at Etone, will be used to regroup classes into ability groups in December.** This will enable more targeted teaching to ensure all pupils have the opportunity to maximise their full potential.

Assessments will be held in the sports hall **under exam conditions.**

It is vital that your child has the correct equipment required (black pen, green pen, pencil, ruler, rubber, calculator, highlighter and maths set) for their assessments. Pupils will be unable to lend equipment due to COVID protocols.

To help your child prepare for these important assessments, we are suggesting the following online platforms to help with revision

- English
The focus for the English assessment will be analysing an extract from a dystopian novel - Thief! by Malorie Blackman and creating their own description based on a dystopian image.

Revision can be completed on SENECA learning. Pupils can complete the spelling, punctuation and grammar module <https://senecalearning.com/en-GB/>



- Mathematics

The assessment will focus on all aspects of Mathematics:

- Number – Calculations with numbers, decimals, fractions and percentages
- Algebra – Collecting terms and solving equations
- Geometry – 2D shapes, area, perimeter and angles
- Statistics - Interpreting charts, averages and probability

Further details will be given in their Mathematics lesson.

Revision can be completed using the online platform MathsWatch

<https://vle.mathswatch.co.uk/vle/>

Each pupil has been given a unique login. If they lose or forget it they can ask their Maths teacher.

Teachers will email out details on how to log onto these sites and how to use them.

Etone College is a mobile phone free site at all times. Examination guidance states that no mobile phones or smart watches are allowed in the exam room. Possession of unauthorised items is a serious offence and could result in disqualification from the examination.

Should you have any queries regarding the above, please do not hesitate to contact Mr Chauhan.

Yours faithfully



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