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Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to you to inform you that all students in Y7-9 will be completing a Sparx and GL reading assessment during the first few weeks of this term. The aim of these assessments is to assess their current reading ages, allow us to identify any progress made since they were last tested and help us to determine if any intervention is needed as we move into the new academic year.

These assessments will be carried out during an English lesson and will take place online. Our expectation from every student is that they try their best throughout the assessment, so that we can get an accurate evaluation of their reading age and implement plans to support them moving forward. If your child's test indicates that they require a wave of reading intervention, we will communicate this with you in the coming weeks.

As parents, we encourage you to continue to support your child's reading progress at home, using Sparx reader, books, magazines and audiobooks. This will further help to enhance and develop their reading skills.

We understand that learning and assessments can be challenging for some students, but we assure you that we will provide all the necessary support to each student to ensure they perform to the best of their potential.

Thank you for your continued support in your child's education. If you have any questions regarding the upcoming assessments, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Tilly Payton  
Transition Teacher and Literacy Intervention Lead