

31st January 2024

Dear Parent/carer,

As part of our ongoing commitment to work to support your children to get the best possible outcomes, we are writing to inform you regarding some Progress tests child will complete next week in **English and Maths**. Each assessment is standardised against national benchmarks using GL Assessment (www.gl-assessment.co.uk). The assessment will provide key information to support your child's progress in preparation for year 11, which includes:

- Helping our teachers to ensure we tailor our teaching to meet your child's individual needs by adapting learning, teaching, assessment and planning
- Indicate potential performance by giving us a graded target for each child. This is especially important as our Year 10 cohort did not sit primary SATS in Year 6.
- Showing us where your child is at now and identify any additional support and any barriers they may face.

We would like to stress that this is an assessment of ability and not attainment, so no pre-learning or preparation is necessary. They cannot revise for these assessments, therefore children should not worry about them

Please note that all necessary stationery will be provided by the exams team. These assessments will all take place in the morning and are spaced out over the course of the week to minimise disruption. Your child will be escorted back to their lessons once the assessments have been completed.

All assessments will take place under exam conditions as this will help them prepare for their public examinations next year in Year 11, and each day we will reinforce with the students the importance of the assessments and the expectations around behaviour, engagement and attendance. If you have any queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us via the school office on admin@ahs.omegamat.co.uk

The schedule for the tests can be found below. 10B Maths - Monday 3rd Feb. Period 3 & 4. 10B English – Tuesday 4th Feb. Period 1 & 2. 10A Maths – Thursday 6th Feb. Period 1 & 2. 10A English - Friday 7th Feb. Period 3 & 4.

Yours faithfully, Mrs C. Avison Assistant Principal.



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