Year 7 September Assessments 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to inform you of the upcoming GL assessments that will take place at Armfield over the next two weeks between the 14th September and 25th September 2026.

All of our year 7 students will sit a 'New Group Reading Test' (NGRT) and the 'Cognitive Abilities Test' (CAT4). This provides us with a wealth of information about where our students are starting from as they begin their journey at Armfield Academy. The collection of GL assessments will allow us to plan whole school and individual interventions to support students both academically and pastorally.

The NGRT will be completed within English lesson time, the CAT4 will be completed in science lessons.

If you wish to find out more about these assessments, please use the links below.

New Group Reading Test: Information for parents

Cognitive Abilities Test: Information for Parents

Attendance to all GL assessments is vital as they will provide us with key information to support your son/daughter's learning and development. Due to the nature of GL assessments students should not worry about revising any specific material. For the NGRT assessment, full engagement with the English curriculum and regular reading at home is the best way to prepare.

If you have any further questions about these assessments, please contact the school via the form tutor.
Yours sincerely,

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