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Dear Parent/Carer

At the end of a very unusual year I would like to inform you of some up-coming events and dates.

Normally at the end of a year there would be a series of end of year examinations, some of which would take place in the sports hall under full examination conditions. We are going to do things a bit differently this year and will instead have some in-class assessments with the focus very much on using these assessments to identify students' strengths and any learning gaps they need to focus on – rather than the final marks.

We are also going to trial using software called "Google Quiz" in many subjects to complete these assessments as it will help us see the topics that students have done well on across the whole year group and areas that we may need to revisit next year as they don't seem as secure.

These assessments will take place predominantly in the week beginning **7th June** for year 7 (the week after half term) and will focus on the subject content they have covered across the year. Your son/daughter's teachers will be telling them in lessons anything they specifically need to focus on. However, the overriding message is that they should not worry about these assessments and should simply try their best – all we can ever ask of any student.

We are also aware that you have not had an opportunity to speak with your son/daughter's teachers this year in the form of a parents' evening. There are still restrictions in place, due to COVID, that mean that we would not be able to do this in the normal way, but we are planning on having a virtual parents' meeting (using School Cloud software) before the end of the summer term potentially during the **week commencing the 5th July**. This will be an opportunity to discuss with your child's teachers the outcomes of the assessments along with completion of homework, effort and behaviour in class. More details about this event will follow nearer the time.

As ever we thank you for your continued support and look forward very much to meeting with you in person in the near future, and certainly next academic year,

Best wishes

Clare Montgomery

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