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Dear Parent/Carer

CAT4 Testing and Secondary Language Link

During the next two weeks, your child will be taking the **Cognitive Abilities Test (CAT4)** and the **Secondary Language Link** assessment.

CAT4 is a nationally recognised assessment designed to help us understand how pupils learn and to identify their strengths and areas for development. It is **not a test of knowledge** or curriculum content. Instead, it measures a range of reasoning skills in four key areas:

- **Verbal reasoning** – understanding and reasoning using words.
- **Non-verbal reasoning** – problem-solving using shapes and patterns.
- **Quantitative reasoning** – working with numbers and numerical concepts.
- **Spatial ability** – thinking and reasoning with visual information.

The results will help teachers tailor learning to your child's needs and support them in achieving their full potential. The assessment is completed online and takes approximately 1 hour 30 mins.

The Secondary Language Link assessment helps the school identify any hidden language difficulties that may affect learning. It checks how well pupils understand instructions, vocabulary, and spoken language used in lessons. The assessment is completed online with audio support and helps us ensure that any additional support needed is identified early.

There is no need for any special preparation, we simply encourage pupils to get a good night's sleep and approach the test with a positive mindset.

Kind regards

Mr S Seneque
Headteacher



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