Dear Parent/Carer

Tutor groups 8F, 8R & 8M

We would like your child to join us at Frome College on Wednesday 9th June to complete their CAT tests. This is part of our enhanced transition program.

The CATs are completed every year as a diagnostic test for Year 9 students. The information we receive from the CAT results will support us in ensuring that your child is working towards reaching their potential and to give staff an understanding of their strengths and areas for development. The information is also used in conjunction with feedback and assessment information from Selwood Academy. They are an indicator of a child's innate ability in logic and problem solving, so **there is no need for revision** beforehand and absolutely no need to worry! Our only expectation is that each child does their best on the day and takes pride in their efforts. The test is taken in three parts and a break is provided between each section.

At Frome College some subjects do teach in sets and this information is used alongside other data we receive from their time at Selwood Academy to help us with this process. CATs can also be used to ensure an individual student receives appropriate support and challenge.

Please can you ensure your child arrives at Frome College for 9:00am on the morning of **Wednesday 9th June** where they will be met on ECOS by Frome College staff. It is likely that the assessments will be finished for pupils by 12:30 when they can make their way home or you can pick them up from the college. Should your child need to return to school until the end of the school day, please contact the school and we can make the necessary arrangements.

We are of course very much looking forward to seeing you at our Transition Parents Information evening on **Tuesday 6th July, details to follow**.

If you have any questions or concerns about these CAT tests, then please contact Dee Edwards on dedwards@fromecollege.org

Many Thanks

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