17th September 2024

Dear Year 7 Parents/carers,

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| Year 7 CAT4 Assessments |

As part of the transition to high school we are asking your child to take part in some assessments which are commonly known as the CAT4 test. The test looks at developed abilities in 4 areas - namely verbal, non-verbal, quantitative and spatial reasoning. There is no pass or fail and there is no way or need to revise or prepare for these assessments; I have already delivered an assembly to Year 7 students to reassure them of this.

We use the CAT4 test to indicate the areas of strength your child has, also highlighting where extra support may be needed. It plays only a small part in how we as a school get to know your child to ensure that we challenge and support everyone to achieve their full potential.

The CAT4 test – packaged as a series of online assessments - will take place during lessons over the next few weeks. A set of **plug-in** headphones will be needed for each child. If your child does not have any wired headphones we will provide them, but we would recommend each student having their own if possible. Students will be supported in these assessments by their class teacher and the exams officer, Mrs Bane. If you have any questions regarding these assessments please contact me [v.day@wellfieldacademy.org](mailto:v.day@wellfieldacademy.org)

Regards,

Mrs V Day

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