

September 2025

Dear families,

### **Year 7 Cycle 1 Assessments**

I am writing to let you know that your child will soon be completing Cycle 1 assessments in all core subjects. The assessments will begin on Monday 13 October and take place over a 1-week period.

These assessments will provide us with important information about your child's attainment and allow us to address any knowledge gaps and provide support to those who need it.

Your child will be supported with revision in both subject lessons and during advisory time, however it is important that they are preparing at home too. Please find attached a list of revision topics that your child needs to be familiar with for the assessments. All examinations will take place in classrooms during usual lessons.

After the assessments, you will receive a report with your child's score, as well as the average score for all students who completed the assessment in the Academy. The report will have a guide to help families to interpret the information.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any further questions on

Yours faithfully

Ms McVey

YEAR 7 Cycle 1 2025-6		
English	Knowledge of Greek myths studied so far; Sections 1-5 of the homework knowledge organiser; writing topic sentences; selecting quotations; word class; FANBOYS conjunctions	45 minutes
Maths	Place value, Negative numbers, Addition and subtraction, Multiplication and division, Fraction manipulation, Rounding, Factors and Primes, Area and perimeter	45 minutes, non calculator, use Sparx for revision
Science	Science Skills (Planning investigations, graphs, variables, drawing conclusions) Ecology (Animal and plant adaptations)	45 mins – exam style questions
Spanish	Basic information-name, age, birthday Saying who I live with and giving their name and age	45 minutes Writing and listening
Mandarin	Pinyin tones, pinyin initial and final, pinyin format, Chinese character structure, basic greetings.	45 minutes - listening, reading and translation assessment
History	Knowledge of the founding of Rome, life in the Roman Republic, the fall of the Republic, the rise of Caesar; the impact of Rome on Britain; how the Saxon and Viking incursions shaped Britain. Knowledge recall, source analysis (inference) and explanation skills tested.	45 minutes
Geography	Recall (key words and different types of geography. Geographical skills; compass direction; longitude and latitude; four-figure grid references. Geographical location and place.	45 minutes.
PE	<p>This year, students at Dixons Newall Green will be assessed across a broad and balanced range of sports, designed to develop both individual skill and team-based competencies. The sports included in the assessment framework are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Basketball</li> <li>• Badminton</li> <li>• Football</li> <li>• Fitness</li> <li>• Rugby</li> <li>• Netball</li> <li>• Athletics</li> <li>• Rounders</li> </ul>	Ongoing assessment

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