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30th September 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we begin another academic year, I would like to take this opportunity to explain the importance of our assessment process and the vital role that attendance and punctuality play in ensuring students achieve their full potential.

Throughout the year, students will complete a number of assessment points, as outlined in the parental assessment calendar overleaf. These assessments provide valuable information about students' progress, strengths, and areas for development, allowing teachers to tailor support, helping students prepare for future examinations and qualifications.

You will notice that some year groups have an assessment point labelled **"Expectations for Learning Only."** This means that students will **not receive an assessment grade based on formal testing** at this point. Instead, students will be awarded grades based on their:

- Classwork
- Homework
- Attendance
- Punctuality
- Attitude to Learning

These areas are fundamental to academic success and reflect the habits and behaviours that enable students to make strong progress in all subjects.

The dates provided in the assessment calendar are the periods during which assessments will take place. Once the assessment window has ended and marking, moderation and quality assurance has taken place, Grade cards will be issued to parents and carers.

Regular attendance is one of the most significant factors in student achievement. Every lesson matters; students who attend school consistently are better placed to build knowledge, develop skills and succeed in assessments and examinations. Equally important is punctuality, arriving on time ensures students are ready to learn from the start of each lesson and avoid missing important instructions and learning opportunities.

We encourage all students to maintain excellent attendance, arrive punctually each day, complete homework to the best of their ability, and demonstrate a positive attitude towards their learning. By working together, we can ensure that every student is given the best possible opportunity to succeed.

Thank you for your continued support. If you have any questions regarding the assessment calendar or your child's progress, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs L Bibby
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Parental Assessment Calendar 2026/27

Year 7 & 8	
Assessment Point	Assessment Window
Expectations for learning only	02/11 - 13/11
P2S2 Assessment	18/01 – 29/01
P2S3 Assessment	24/05 – 11/06
Year 9	
Assessment Point	Assessment Window
Expectations for learning only	12/10 – 16/10
P2S2 Assessment	14/12 – 08/01
P2S3 Assessment	26/04 – 07/05
Year 10	
Assessment Point	Assessment Window
Expectations for learning only	12/10 – 16/10
P2S2 Assessment	14/12 – 08/01
P2S3 Mock exams	26/04 – 27/05
Year 11	
Assessment Point	Assessment Window
P2S1 Assessment	28/09 -09/10
P2S2 Mock exams	30/11 – 18/12
P2S23 Mock exams	11/03 – 25/03
GCSE Practical exams start	24/03
GCSE Written exams start	10/05