



NOTTINGHAM UNIVERSITY
SAMWORTH ACADEMY

Dear Parents/Carers,

I am writing to inform you about assessment week for Year 8. This will take place during the week beginning Monday 11th December 2017 and the last exam will be on Friday 15th December 2017. Please see the timetable on the reverse of this letter.

These assessments are important. They are a key indicator for progress and provide essential exam skill practice. Students should prepare appropriately by revising for every subject; it is useful to plan a revision timetable putting some time aside every day for revision.

As part of their study support, every student will have sessions in Personal Development to give them key revision information and to help plan their revision timetable. As part of this they will receive:

- A copy of their assessment timetable.
- A revision skills booklet.
- A copy of all of the topics that they will be assessed on with revision ideas from each subject.

All the above resources are available on the school website: look at the 'Study Support' tab and choose 'Revision Centre.' Students will be prepared for these exams in their lessons.

You can support your child in the next few weeks by ensuring that:

- They plan and follow a revision timetable. Make sure they revise for each subject over a course of a week and spend some time every day revising. Little and often is the most effective technique.
- They know when and where their assessments will take place.
- They are on time for school and have the right equipment (pen, pencil, calculator, ruler, highlighter, pens, etc, in a clear pencil case or bag).
- They speak to their teachers well in advance of the assessment to clarify anything they are unsure about or if they are feeling anxious.
- They understand the need for the highest standards of behaviour during the assessments. Poor behaviour will not be accepted and appropriate sanctions will be given if necessary.
- Attend homework clubs if necessary.

We would like to wish all of our students every success in this assessment period and are confident that, with thorough preparation, they will fulfil their potential.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs C Mulcahy
Senior Leader

Mr L James
Head of Year