Dear Parent/Carer,



RE: End of Year Exam Week begins 23rd June 2021

Our students at Eastbrook School have come back after the lockdown and have really done themselves PROUD. They have adapted and engaged with learning in the classroom just as quickly as they adapted to learning online whilst in lockdown. We did not test them as soon as they returned, we felt it was important that learning continued seamlessly from online to the classroom environment.

It is a carefully considered decision that we think it is about the right time now to prepare students for the traditional end of year exams in years 7 through to 10. However this year they won't be too traditional, like the Year 11 and Year 13 who have recently just finished putting together a body of assessment evidence towards their Teacher Assessed Grades which was not the usual 'exams in the hall' approach, students in Years 7 through to Year 10 will be sitting assessments in their usual classrooms to round off learning that has taken place this year.

Students will be told by their class teacher when they will be assessed by each subject teacher from the week beginning 23rd June, this will include also being told if a certain subject won't be sitting traditional tests and rather collecting evidence in other ways, this would likely be the case for some practical subjects. Students will be asked to prepare in class but mostly through independent learning tasks set as homework, and students will get feedback following their assessment alongside the end of term 'yellow sticker' activity, please do ask your children all about it. It is far more important to us at Eastbrook that students act on the feedback and always continue to improve, these end of year tests will provide some useful feedback.

We believe that it is important for pupils to be fully equipped for learning. Students should be fully equipped for all lessons and exams by having with them a pen (black ball point), pencil, sharpener, rubber and ruler. Also, students will need a protractor, calculator and compass for their Maths tests.

Please support your child's success by asking your child to tell you which subject is being assessed in which day, we have made sure as best we can that the assessments are spread far apart to allow for preparation between each one. These tests will contribute in the end of year progress report for your child.

If you would like to discuss this further, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you for your support.

Mr A. Khan

Deputy Headteacher