

Dear Parents and Carers of Year 7 Students,

## Year 7 Reading Assessment

We are pleased to inform you that as part of our whole school reading strategy, all students in Year 7 will be taking the New Group Reading Test (NGRT) this week as part of their wider subject assessment weeks. The NGRT is an online, adaptive assessment that requires no preparation. It takes approximately 30 minutes to complete and each test becomes personalised, based on how students respond to each question.

The testing will take place during a normal lesson time, in one of our computer suites and with their usual class teachers helping other members of staff to facilitate the tests. The schedule is as follows:

Year 7 NGRT Reading Tests – 18 <sup>th</sup> to 20 <sup>th</sup> June 2024			
Lesson	Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> June
	June	June	
1	7LS		7 ML
2		7LE	
3	7ME	7MW	7LW
4	7MS	7LL	

We are committed to enabling all our learners to fully access our curriculum and to reach their full potential. Understanding their current reading ability is fundamental to this. The NGRT will provide us with a clear and precise baseline of each student's current attainment level in reading. It is a standardised assessment that reliably measures reading skills against the national average so that we can target interventions to support and challenge learners in the most useful way.

All current Year 7 students will take the NGRT again at the end of Term 2 in Year 8 so that we can understand the impact of these interventions and their further progress as learners. We will, of course, keep you informed should we need to discuss your child's reading progress with you.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions regarding the reading assessment. You can also find further information for parents on the GL Assessment NGRT website here: <u>https://support.gl-assessment.co.uk/knowledge-base/assessments/ngrt-support/general-information/information-for-parents/</u>

Yours sincerely, Rosanna Raimato Deputy Headteacher

