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7th May 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Y7-9 End of Year English Assessments

We are writing to inform you of the following dates for the upcoming **Key Stage 3 English assessments**:

- **Year 8:** Thursday 14th May
- **Year 9:** Friday 15th May
- **Year 7:** During English lessons in the week commencing 18th May

To support the children in preparing for these assessments, revision materials are in the process of being distributed during English lessons and teachers have been preparing the children within lessons to ensure children are familiar with the assessment style and expectations. Please find attached a document for further revision support.

The English assessment consists of **one paper** and will last **60 minutes**.

- **Year 8 and Year 9** children will sit their assessments in the Sports Centre and the EGScellence Centre.
- **Year 7** children will complete the assessment during their English lesson in the week beginning 18th May.

These assessments are designed to support learning and progress. They help the school to understand how much progress your child has made so far and to identify any areas where additional support may be beneficial. While children regularly complete assessments in lessons, this particular assessment is set by Creative Education Trust. Results are compared with children of the same age across other schools within Creative Education Trust, giving a clear and fair picture of attainment and progress, similar to how GCSE outcomes are compared nationally.

Please note that **assessments in remaining subjects will begin from the week commencing 15th June**. Further information regarding these assessments will be shared with parents and carers in due course.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me:
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Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in grey ink, appearing to be 'L. Hudson', written in a cursive style.

Mrs Hudson
Vice Principal