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Dear Parents / Carers,

KS3 Summer Assessments – Year 8

In the Summer Term Year 8 students will sit formal assessments in each of their subjects, during their timetabled lessons. These assessments will take place in timed conditions to give students an opportunity to showcase their learning and progress. Assessments will be marked and moderated in line with school policy and the results will be shared with students during lesson time.

The Year 8 Assessments are scheduled to take place between **Monday 15th May and Friday 26th May**. Individual class teachers will confirm the precise date of the assessment in each case.

At the end of the year, in our summer reports, students will receive a holistic end of year grade which also takes into account their progress in these assessments. Below you will find an overview of the assessments. Subject teachers will provide students with guidance around revision and expectations in their lessons.

Faculty	Format	Topics
History	In class, written exam, essay-style. No access to notes. (45 minutes)	Slave trade & abolition of the slave trade
English	In-class written exam. Students will have access to their annotated copy of the text. (45 mins)	Students will be examined on an extract from Romeo and Juliet that they have studied in class.
Science	In-class, written exam, multiple choice, short answer and long answer questions. No access to notes. (60 minutes)	Biology B1 Health and Lifestyle, B2 Ecosystem processes. Chemistry C1 The Periodic Table, C2 Separation techniques, C3 Metals and acids. Physics P1 Electricity and magnetism, P2 Energy, P3 Motion(speed and distance-time graphs only).
Maths	In-class, no access to notes. 1 x Non-Calculator and 1 x Calculator paper. (60 mins each)	All topics covered this year.
Drama	In class collaborative assessment.	Private Peaceful



PRE	Class project that will be completed during the assessment week.	Hinduism/Sikhism research project.
German / French / Spanish	In class listening, reading, writing and speaking assessments.	All topics covered so far this year.
Geography	In-class, written exam, booklet-style. No access to notes. (50 minutes)	Population and Urbanisation, Global Development, Weather and Climate
Music	In-class, listening and written exam using Google Forms. No access to notes.(30 mins)	All topics (Musical elements, instruments of the orchestra, notes and chords on the keyboard, treble clef notes, ukulele chords,samba, blues)
Visual Arts	In class practical exam - timed drawing exercise.	Objects and Artefacts

Should you have any further questions, please email admin@sandringham.herts.sch.uk FAO Thom Leat or the specific subject which your query relates to.

Yours sincerely,

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