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Dear parents,

Year 9 assessments

I am writing to explain the school's approach to Year 9 assessments.

Departments set assessments in order to gather information to inform the report which will be issued to you towards the end of the school year. The week beginning 20th November is assigned as the week for classroom assessments to take place; this indicates the *approximate timing* of assessments. Assessments for some subjects will take place at the end of a unit of work, and the timing of these assessments will therefore vary from department to department, but most will be taking place over the aforementioned week. Teachers will give the exact dates of assessments to pupils during lessons and these will be written in the pupil planner.

Preparation for the assessment is undertaken in lessons and pupils are required to continue preparation out of school. Departments will provide resources and advice on how to revise and these may include using the following ICT resources: SAM learning, Sharepoint, My Maths and Vocab Express for which pupils have been issued passwords.

We would greatly appreciate your support in helping pupils to prepare by looking in the planner to check assessment dates and by supporting them in the revision process; for example helping to allocate revision time, organise resources and perhaps asking your son/daughter to tell you what they have learnt.

Please contact me at the school simmonds.jay@ashcombe.surrey.sch.uk if you have further questions regarding Year 9 assessments.

Yours sincerely,

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