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Dear Parents / Carers,

This year, due to a number of changes to our formal summer examination period we took the decision not to have formal exams in the hall for Year 8 students. Formal exams will resume for all students next year in order to give them opportunity to get used to the formality and structure of exams.

Year 8 students will be sitting a number of assessments in their normal lessons in the week commencing 20<sup>th</sup> June. They have been fully prepared for these in class and the assessments are nothing at all to worry about; they will assist teaching staff in gauging student progress and any gaps in learning that might need to be addressed. Some subjects will sit their assessment slightly later in the term and will have advised students when these will take place.

Please note that, on this occasion, we are not able to provide access arrangements for Year 8 students due to prioritising staffing for the Year 11 GCSE examinations. This will not disadvantage children as it will give us an opportunity to assess the picture of need for individual students.

Results of assessments will be shared in lessons with students once marked and moderated, where teachers will provide time for students to reflect on how they have done and steps to improve.

Should any advance preparation or revision be required, students will be informed what to do by their class teachers.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs C Knight  
Deputy Headteacher