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Dear Parent / Guardian,

As a school, we wish to assess our pupils to see what their needs are and how we can best help them learn and achieve. As part of this process, we will be administering the *Cognitive Abilities Test (CAT)* to all pupils in Year 9.

CAT is made up of a series of short tests which assess a pupil's reasoning (thinking) abilities in key areas that support educational development and academic attainment.

No preparation is necessary; it is important that your son / daughter does not become anxious as no pre-learning or knowledge is needed to complete the tests.

CAT has many uses and can help your child and his / her teachers to plan appropriately and set targets for different Year groups.

The CAT's are planned for w.b 29th September 2025 in the schools' top hall.

If you have any queries or concerns regarding the CAT's please don't hesitate to contact the me on the above number / e-mail.

Yours faithfully,

Mr Ransome
Senior Assistant Headteacher