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Dear Parents/Carers,

## Re: Year 8 Assessment Week Announcement - 18th March to 26th March 2024

We are writing to inform you about the upcoming assessment week at Clacton County High School, which will take place from 18<sup>th</sup> March to 26<sup>th</sup> March 2024.

Assessments are an integral part of the academic journey and provide an opportunity for our students to demonstrate their understanding of the subjects they have been studying. During this assessment window, students will be assessed on the material covered in their respective classes over the course of the year.

Here are some important details regarding the assessments:

- 1. Schedule: An assessment schedule has been provided to all students via Google classroom and they will be issued with a hardcopy to share with you. The schedule outlines the dates of the English and Maths exams. During this assessment window, there will also be assessments in geography, history, science and Spanish or French. Other subjects may have assessments during this time and students will be told directly by their class teachers when revision and exams are. This is to make sure they are aware of the dates and so that they can share those details with you at home. Please ensure that your child is aware of their assessment schedule.
- 2. Preparation: We are always encouraging students to prepare well in advance for their assessments. Developing independent study skills, time management, and regular revision are essential for success. By encouraging your child to create an independent <u>study timetable</u> will help them to allocate sufficient time at home for each subject. There is also a Year 8 Assessment section on our <u>Revision Microsite</u>, which contains specific revision resources for a number of subjects.
- 3. **Support**: Your support plays a crucial role in your child's academic success. Where possible, a quiet area, away from distractions (such as phones and other devices), will provide a good environment in which they can revise.
- 4. **Attendance**: Full attendance at school at any time is vital if your child is to achieve their potential.
- 5. **Results**: Assessment results will be communicated to students and parents in reports. We encourage you to discuss your child's results with them and celebrate their successes.

We appreciate your cooperation and support in ensuring that our students are well-prepared for their upcoming assessments. Learning "how" to revise is an important skill that should be developed by your child over the course of their schooling with us and can only be improved if they revise for every assessment and learn what does/does not work.

If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact us.

Thank you for your continued partnership in your child's education.

Yours sincerely,

Mr A Martin Assistant Headteacher

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