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Dear Parent/Carer

On returning from the Easter break your son/daughter will be taking part in a standardised test delivered through the Centre for Evaluation and Monitoring (CEM) which is part of Durham University.

The S2 Curriculum-based Assessments help us measure progress made in the Broad General Education in Reading, Science and Maths and will be administered as online tests during April/May.

The three areas of Reading, Maths and Science have times allocated as follows:

- Reading = 45-50 minutes and is divided into three sections.
- Science = 45-50 minutes and is divided into four sections.
- Maths = 45-50 minutes and is divided into three sections.

Please find attached the schedule for your child's assessments. The process will begin week commencing 20th April 2015. These assessments will be carried out over a three week period to ensure that they are equally spread. In addition, we have built in a time for catch up should any student be absent.

It is not intended that any student revise specifically for these assessments. All of our young people will be taken through a demonstration and given guidance on how to complete each section of the test. This will be carried out on Tuesday 21st April before the tests commence. Any student who normally receives access arrangements will have these available to them with the exception of reading. These are the guidelines from CEM.

All assessments will be conducted and supervised in practical sets. Your son/daughter's schedule is included.

Should you have any queries regarding this please contact me at your earliest convenience.

Yours faithfully

Mr J Allison
Depute Head Teacher