



Rossett School
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Dear Parents/Carers,

I am writing to provide you with advance notice of the **Key Stage 3 (Years 7–9) end-of-year assessments**, which will take place during lesson time between **Monday 1 June and Friday 12 June**.

Purpose and Nature of the Assessments

These assessments will cover a **range of knowledge and skills** taught throughout the year, which are important for progression to the next stage of the curriculum. They will also enable teachers to identify any **gaps in learning** so that appropriate support can be put in place and future teaching can be adapted.

Although your child will have been assessed at points during the year, these assessments are designed to **check** how well **knowledge and skills** have been **retained over time**.

Advanced Information and How to Prepare

You will find below a document **outlining the assessment programme** and the types of assessment your child will complete.

In the lead-up to the assessment period, **home learning** will focus on **specific revision activities**. All preparation materials will be shared in advance via **Microsoft Teams**. Classroom teachers will clearly outline the knowledge and/or skills being assessed and provide guidance on how best to prepare, as well as informing students of the timing of each assessment.

Students have also been shown this presentation in form time which gives students further revision advice: [KS3 ASSESSMENT-20260518_141745-Meeting Recording.mp4](#)

While preparation is important, these are **not high-stakes assessments** and students are not expected to complete excessive amounts of revision. Any **revision set** will be **proportionate** and **manageable**. These assessments are an opportunity for students to **practise revision skills** and demonstrate what they have **retained over the year**.

Reporting to Parents

Outcomes from these assessments, alongside other assessments completed throughout the year, will be used to determine the band your child is working at (Foundation, Developing, Secure or Excellence). This information will be shared with you in the end-of-year report in July.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at ThompsonH@rs.rkit.co.uk.

Kind regards,

Mrs H Thompson

Assistant Headteacher



Year 7 Overview

Subject	Year	Length of assessment	Nature of assessment
English	7	1x 50 minutes	Reading assessment looking at an extract from an autobiography by Michalea DePrince
Maths	7	1x 60 mins	Students will take an assessment on work completed throughout Year 7 (including some revision material from KS2). There is a Recall section testing the Mastery of the key powerful knowledge and skills taught throughout the year (worth 40 marks). There is a Problem-Solving section applying this knowledge (worth 20 marks). This assessment is combined with previous assessment results to provide an overview of progress made in Year 7.
Science	7	50 minutes	Students will complete an assessment - with a range of question styles; MCQ, Short answer, Longer answers Qs, covering units Earth 2, Chemical Reactions 2, Matter 2, Energy 2, Forces 2, Cells 2, Health 1, Genes 2 (NOT Waves 2) with a strong emphasis on disciplinary knowledge we hope to have developed during the year
MFL	7	30minutes.	Students will be tested on vocabulary, grammar and translation skills, covering all content from Year 7. Quizlet and vocab lists will be provided for revision purposes.
Geography	7	30 minutes	Short answer and multiple-choice subject knowledge test assessing topics covered this year: Tectonics, UK Landscapes and Settlement
History	7	1 hour	Students will complete a subject knowledge and key terms test that encompasses what they've learned this year. They will have access to a revision document over half term.
REP	7	30 minutes	Students will have an assessment on all the topics they have been taught this year. The topics were 'What do I believe about God?', 'How did the Universe begin?' and 'How do we make decisions?' The questions will be multiple choice.
Music	7	1x 45 mins	Students will take a short listening paper in class with a mixture of multiple choice and written answers. Topics cover key concepts covered this year: musical elements including notation, minimalism, composing and the keyboard
Art	7	N/A	Students will be assessed on their practical work in sketchbook and toy outcome.
Computing	7	30 minutes	The Y7 assessment will be automated and may include multiple choice, short answer, and true/false questions. It will cover a broad selection of topics taught throughout the year to gauge overall understanding.
Design and Technology	7	N/A	Students will be assessed on their practical and written work for their current projects.
Drama	7	N/A	students will be assessed on their final practical project across a number of lessons. they do not need to prepare or revise anything.
PE	7	2 x 1- hour lessons	Students will be assessed over their lessons during that week. They will be assessed on their athletic ability. The students will demonstrate their components of fitness through practical application of 4 athletics events; Long Jump, 100m, 800m and Javelin. Grades will be created via their cohort norms and not against national standards.
Food	7	N/A	Students will be assessed on their practical and written work for their current projects.



Year 8 Overview

Subject	Year	Length of assessment	Nature of assessment
English	8	1x 50 minutes	Reading assessment looking at an online article about women's football
Maths	8	1x 60mins	Students will take an assessment on work completed throughout Year 8 (including some revision material from Y7). There is a Recall section testing the Mastery of the key powerful knowledge and skills taught throughout the year (worth 40 marks). There is a Problem-Solving section applying this knowledge (worth 20 marks). This assessment is combined with previous assessment results to provide an overview of progress made in Year 8.
Science	8	50 minutes	Students will complete an assessment - with a range of question styles; MCQ, Short answer, Longer answers Qs, covering units Earth 1, Chemical Reactions 1, Matter 1, Waves 1, Energy 1, Forces 1, Cells 1, Ecosystems 1 (NOT Genes 1) with a strong emphasis on disciplinary knowledge we hope to have developed during the year
MFL	8	30minutes.	Students will be tested on vocabulary, grammar and translation skills, covering all content from Year 8. Quizlet and vocab lists will be provided for revision purposes.
Geography	8	30 minutes	Short answer and multiple-choice subject knowledge test assessing topics covered this year: Coasts, Weather Hazards, Global Resources and China
History	8	1 hour	Students will complete a subject knowledge and key terms test that encompasses what they've learned this year. They will have access to a revision document over half term.
REP	8	30 minutes	Students will have an assessment on all the topics they have been taught this year. The topics were 'What is Equality?', 'What is Life?' and 'Is There Life After Death?' The questions will be multiple choice.
Music	8	1x 45 mins	Students will take a short listening paper in class with a mixture of multiple choice and written answers. Topics cover key concepts covered this year musical elements notation, Classical music, Latin American music, Blues and chords.
Art	8	N/A	Students will be assessed on their practical work in sketchbook and print outcome.
Computing	8	30 minutes	The Y8 assessment will be automated and may include multiple choice, short answer, and true/false questions. It will cover a broad selection of topics taught throughout the year to gauge overall understanding.
Design and Technology	8	N/A	Students will be assessed on their practical and written work for their current projects.
Drama	8	N/A	students will be assessed on their final practical project across a number of lessons. they do not need to prepare or revise anything.
PE	8	2 x 1 hour lessons	Students will be assessed over their lessons during that week. They will be assessed on their athletic ability. The students will demonstrate their components of fitness through practical application of 4 athletics events; Long Jump, 100m, 800m and Javelin. Grades will be created via their cohort norms and not against national standards.
Food	8	N/A	Students will be assessed on their practical and written work for their current projects.



Year 9 Overview

Subject	Year	Length of assessment	Nature of assessment
English	9	1x 50 minutes	Reading assessment looking at an article and poem by Lemn Sissay
Maths	9	2x 60 mins	Students will take an extended assessment (two papers) covering content from across Key Stage 3 on Number, Algebra, Ratio, Geometry and Data & Probability. The assessment will go towards making decisions on groupings for Key Stage 4 and will influence which tier of entry (Higher/ Foundation) a student is likely to work towards for GCSE. Paper 1 will be a non-calculator paper (worth 60 marks). Paper 2 will be a calculator paper (worth 60 marks).
Science	9	X	Year 9 have sat an end of KS3 assessment in recent weeks and 5x GCSE topic tests by the end of the year so will not sit additional testing.
MFL	9	45 minutes.	Students will be tested on vocabulary, grammar and translation skills, covering all content from Year 9.
Geography	9	30 minutes	Short answer and multiple-choice subject knowledge test assessing topics covered this year: Brazil, Oceans, Antarctica and Africa
History	9	1 hour	Students will complete a subject knowledge and key terms test that encompasses what they've learned this year. They will have access to a revision document over half term.
REP	9	30 minutes	Students will have an assessment on all the topics they have been taught this year. The topics were 'Why is there conflict in the world?', 'What causes poverty?' and 'How do people cope with suffering?' The questions will be multiple choice.
Music	9	1x 45 mins	Students will take a short listening paper in class with a mixture of multiple choice and written answers. Topics cover key concepts covered this year musical elements including notation, Chords, Composition, Film music and EDM
Art	9	N/A	Students will be assessed on their practical work in sketchbook and 3D outcome.
Computing	9	30 minutes	The Y9 assessment will be automated and may include multiple choice, short answer, and true/false questions. It will cover a broad selection of topics taught throughout the year to gauge overall understanding.
Design and Technology	9	N/A	Students will be assessed on their practical and written work for their current projects.
Drama	9	N/A	students will be assessed on their final practical project across a number of lessons. they do not need to prepare or revise anything.
PE	9	2 x 1 hour lessons	Students will be assessed over their lessons during that week. They will be assessed on their athletic ability. The students will demonstrate their components of fitness through practical application of 4 athletics events; Long Jump, 100m, 800m and Javelin. Grades will be created via their cohort norms and not against national standards.
Food	9	N/A	Students will be assessed on their practical and written work for their current projects.