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# Urmston Grammar

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Dear Parents and Carers

I hope that your children are all settling in well to the Urmston Grammar way of life and are enjoying their start to secondary school education.

As I am sure you are all aware Year 6 did not sit any Key Stage 2 assessments in 2021; in order to support the school's tracking process, Year 7 will be taking some CAT4 assessments during the week commencing 4<sup>th</sup> October 2021. These will be the paper examinations and they will take place during lesson time.

CAT4 is made up of a series of short tests which assess a student's reasoning (thinking) abilities in key areas that support educational development and academic attainment. No preparation is necessary; it is important that your child does not become anxious as no pre-learning or knowledge is needed to complete the tests.

We will use this data to make predictions about their outcomes during the course of their academic life at Urmston Grammar which is valuable to us so that we can assess the progress of your child. Results from the tests will not be reported, however, they will inform our monitoring and tracking system and 'flight paths' which will be shared with you later in the academic year.

The CAT4 assessments will take place on:

- Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> October for 7U, 7R and 7M;
- Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> October for 7S and 7T.

Yours faithfully,

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Associate Senior Leader



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