



Dear Parent/Carer,

To enable the Academy to support students with the targeted interventions that they may need, we will be conducting Year 9 Cognitive Abilities Tests (CATs). These tests are due to take place between **Monday 23 January** and **Friday 27 January**.

Year 9 students would have completed the Year 7 CATs in October 2020 as they were unable to take their SATs in Year 6 due to the partial closure of schools. The SATs data supports schools with target setting and intervention to enable students to make the greatest progress they can. The Year 9 CAT tests are similar to the ones that they completed in Year 7 and will enable us to monitor the progress of students and effectiveness of interventions.

CATs consist of 3 tests lasting around 45 minutes and will be conducted online and during lesson times. Students do not need to prepare for these tests in any way and should not worry about these tests.

If you have any queries relating to these tests, please email rhianna.redrup@thebourneacademy.com

Yours sincerely,

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