



Dear Parent,

We will be administering the Cognitive Abilities Test (CAT4) to all students in years 8 and 9 over the next couple of weeks. CAT4 has many uses, including supporting staff to plan learning appropriately and target setting to secure good progress. There is a schedule at the end of this letter indicating when your child's assessment will be; each student will have 3 assessment sittings in total.

CAT4 is made up of a series of short tests which access 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.

For more information on the tests please visit the site below or contact your child's Head of Year or myself at the Academy.

[Information for parents - GL Assessment \(gl-assessment.co.uk\)](http://gl-assessment.co.uk)

Kind regards
Miss K Tzoganakou
Vice Principal

YOUR CAT4 SCHEDULE

Students	Dates and times	What to do
All students in forms 8L, 8E, 8O and 8D	Wednesday 5 th October, Period 6	You must attend ALL tests for your form group.
	Thursday 6 th October, Period 5	
	Friday 7 th October, Period 3	
All students in forms 8A, 8N, 8S and 8H	Monday 26 th September, Period 6	For ALL tests you need to go to the lesson that is on your timetable. Your teacher for that lesson will accompany you to your test.
	Monday 3 rd October, Period 3	
	Wednesday 5 th October, Period 5	
All students in forms 9L, 9E, 9O and 9D	Tuesday 27 th September, Period 2	Remember to have with you your access code for the test.
	Thursday 29 th September, Period 6	
	Thursday 6 th October, Period 2	
All students in forms 9A, 9N, 9S and 9H	Wednesday 28 th September, Period 4	
	Tuesday 4 th October, Period 4	
	Wednesday 5 th October, Period 4	
Access codes for the tests will be issued to students during form time on Monday 26th September.		

