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The Five Islands Academy is an all-age, multi-site, Church of England Academy, serving the island communities of Bryher, St Agnes, St Martin's, St Mary's and Treco. It is part of the Leading Edge Academies Partnership.

Tuesday 23 January 2024

Year 7 Assessments

Dear Parents,

This week, our secondary students will be beginning to sit assessments in many of their school subjects. We have two formal assessment points during the year (now and in the Summer Quadmester), which are a great opportunity for students to demonstrate and be proud of the progress they have made so far in all their subjects, producing some high quality pieces of writing, excellent artworks, knowledgeable quiz answers and skilful calculations.

The assessments will take place in students' usual lessons, spread out over Weeks 7, 8 and 9 of the Quadmester to ensure that children do not have too many assessments in a day. Teachers are making sure that students know what they need to prepare or revise during class time and for homework, in line with their usual homework timetable. To help you support your child, there is an assessment timetable below, and some information about the type of assessments that are being set in each subject. We hope you will access this information in order to support and encourage your child to do their very best.

We take care to ensure that students are well-prepared, well-supported and feel this is an opportunity to shine, not a stressful 'high stakes' test environment. All teachers liaise with Mrs Jewell to make sure that children with additional needs are supported appropriately. Please don't hesitate to contact your child's tutor or me (emilybanfield@fiveislands.org) if you would like to know more.

Yours faithfully

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Week 7B	Period 1	Period 2	Period 3	Period 4	Period 5
Monday				RWV	
Tuesday					
Wednesday					French
Thursday		Computer Science			
Friday		History			
Week 8A	Period 1	Period 2	Period 3	Period 4	Period 5
Monday		English	Maths	RWV	
Tuesday					
Wednesday				Music	
Thursday	DT Group 2	Computer Science		Science	
Friday					Drama
Week 9B	Period 1	Period 2	Period 3	Period 4	Period 5
Monday					Geography part 1
Tuesday		PE			
Wednesday					
Thursday	DT Group 1				
Friday	Geography part 2				

Subject	Assessment and preparation
English	Essay about how Scrooge changes in 'A Christmas Carol': All preparation and planning will be completed in class.
Maths	GCSE linear past paper/Baseline assessment which covers a range of topics from the curriculum.
Science	End of unit standard test - 7L Sound
French	Writing: "En Classe". All revision and preparation will be completed in class.
History	A piece of accurate historical fiction about the mediaeval village of Walsham-le-Willows and a crime there.
Geography	Students are creating a 'StoryMaps' GIS feature using their research from their homework tasks this quadmester. It is a skills-based task, and we are preparing for it in class together in week 8.
RWV	In class assessment with the assessed outcome integrated into classwork.
DT	Multiple choice GCSE equivalent questions.

Music	Basilisk composition based on the Basilisk scene from Harry Potter. Students will be creating their own of piece of music using Garageband and other music resources.
Computer Science	Google Form on topics covered during this quadmester.
PE	Match Play and Video analysis - Badminton + Table Tennis (Practical)
Drama	Mime performance (paired slapstick or group circus mime): All preparation completed in class. Students can bring costumes in if they want to.