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Roding Valley  
HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Carer,

### **Y7 Baseline Testing for English and Maths**

All of our Y7 pupils at Roding Valley High School will be undertaking an online baseline assessment in English and Maths the week commencing Tuesday 8th September.

These tests serve to provide the school a baseline of the skills that students have learnt in English and Maths. This year it will be even more important as it will provide the school with a clear understanding of the skills that they have retained during lockdown.

The tests focus on aspects of reading, writing and numeracy. The assessments are completed online and results will be used to help teachers plan the next steps in learning for each child in order to help them make the best possible progress, and also highlight any areas which may require some further support or intervention.

**Pupils do not have to revise or prepare for the assessments.** They are designed to be used as part of normal learning and teaching and the information they provide will be used in the same way as other assessment information which arises from day to day classes/lessons.

The assessments do not have a time limit attached to them; however, the majority of children will complete each assessment in no more than 60 minutes. If anyone requires more time, then this will be accounted for. The assessments are also designed to be appropriate for use with all children, including those who require additional support.

You will be receiving a comprehensive report of the baseline data with the first parent report later in the Autumn Term.

Please do not hesitate to call Ms Reed or myself if you have any further questions.

Yours sincerely

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Assistant Headteacher

Miss H Reed  
Progress Leader for Year 7

