



15th December 2025

Dear Parent/Carer,

Year 8 Mid-Year Assessments, Monday 12th January – Friday 23rd January

In January, all students in year 8 will take Mid-Year assessments. These tests are useful for many reasons:

- Review progress so far this year
- Provide practice with formal exams, preparing students for GCSEs and BTECs
- Help teachers plan the curriculum for the rest of the year

When and where

- **English, Maths, Science:** written tests in the sports hall (Thursday 15th January)
- **Geography, History, MFL:** written tests in classrooms (teachers will tell student exact dates)
- **Other subjects:** no written test. Student will receive an average score from class assessments done in Term 1

If your child is entitled to an exam access arrangement, we will make sure this is in place for them for the exams that take place in the sports hall. For the classroom assessments, reasonable adjustments will be made for students where appropriate.

Once assessments have been completed and marked, results will be shared with both students and families through a Mid-Year Report. We will also produce a Rank Order, to see how students have performed against other students in all subjects and to inform set changes. Students have received a revision pack to support them in preparation for these assessments.

You will be able to find the resources on our website here:

<https://www.albionacademy.org/parents/rank-order-assessments>

To support students to prepare for these assessments, we have launched a homework challenge. For every piece of English and Maths homework completed on Sparx, between now and Thursday 18th December, they will be entered into a prize draw on the last day of term.

Please encourage your child to prepare for these assessments and attend school daily. We want Mid-Year assessments to be a positive experience for students, so get in touch if you or your child have any questions. You can do this on our website through our Talk with the Albion form and selecting the drop-down option **Subject Specific or Homework > KS3 Information**.

Yours sincerely,

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