

KS3 Assessment Week: Year 8

Venue: MCS Sports Hall

24th April – Period 2. Literacy and Numeracy ‘Walking Talking Mock’

26th April – Period 3/4. National Literacy Assessment

28th April – Period 5. Science Assessment.

2nd May – Period 1 National Numeracy Assessment.



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Headteacher: Mr R V Davies

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Dear Parent

The Welsh Government measures the progress of all students from Years 2 to 9 on an annual basis through a series of National Literacy and Numeracy Assessments. If your child was in a Welsh school last year they would have sat these assessments and you would have received an indication of their reading and numeracy skills within a National context. This process will provide information to you, to the school and to the Government about the progress that is being made by your child from year to year. The aim is to ensure that information is available to show which aspects of Literacy and Numeracy your child has made progress with and in what areas they may need further support.

Alongside these National Assessments, your child will also take part in a practice assessment for both Literacy and Numeracy a few days before they sit the actual papers. We call these ‘Walking Talking Mocks’, a proven successful strategy for Key Stage Four students, and are led by our Literacy and Numeracy coordinators.

Although Science is not assessed Nationally through these assessments, we would like to measure the progress made by our students in Science through an internally set end of year test.

Attendance on all the dates listed above is very important. However if, unfortunately, your child is absent on these dates they will be given the opportunity to sit the assessments they have missed before May 5th. The exact organisational process will be given to your child closer to the day of the assessment.

Your child has had a number of opportunities this year as part of our Integrated Curriculum, Maths and English lessons to practise their numeracy and literacy skills. To further prepare for these assessments, there are a number of past papers, mark schemes and revision checklists on our website. To locate these, please follow this link:

<http://monmouthcomprehensive.org.uk/letters.asp>

This has been set as homework by KS3 Form Tutors over the Easter holidays and your support in helping your child to complete these is greatly appreciated.

Yours sincerely

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