



Bishop Douglass Catholic School

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Dear Parent/Carer,

As we move swiftly towards the end of our first half-term of this academic year, we will be holding our first set of progress checks during assessment week one. This will take place during the week beginning 10th October for all students.

Assessment of your child's current progress will take a variety of formats, dependent on the specific subject area and course content. Please ensure that your child is fully prepared for their assessments, by assisting with their organisation at this important time. Each subject will provide your child with a study list relevant to the assessment that will take place. These topics will change over the course of the year, culminating in one final end of year assessment in the Summer term 2017 covering the entire subject content.

As a school, we have provided excellent provision in order for each child to make exceptional progress. This year, we continue to offer the following support to assist students:

- Breakfast club (Free breakfast provided for those who arrive before 8.20am)
- Specific homework support clubs for those who require assistance.
- After school prep in the form of evening study: this runs from 3.10-5.40pm every Monday to Thursday. A free hot meal is provided at 5.40pm for those who have attended.
- Academic and Pastoral Mentoring.
- After-school, Saturday and Holiday support sessions.

We will provide you with an update regarding your child's current progress in the form of a printed report following the assessment week. Please see your child's journal for their current target grades for all subjects studied: it should be noted that target grades are for the end of year, and that these will increase based on a child's stage of learning. Assessment results help inform us with regards to the provision of teaching and learning for your child, therefore adding an extra emphasis on their importance at this early stage of the year.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish your child every success during this assessment week, and over the course of the academic year.

Kindest regards,

Mr B. Lenane
Assistant Headteacher



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