

May 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

Year 8 Progress Review Week - Monday 20th until Friday 24h May 2024

As we approach May half-term, it is an appropriate time to gauge all Year 8 students to see how far they have progressed during their second year at Tomlinscote School. This will provide valuable information for us as we look forward to Year 9. It will also prove useful for the student and parent/carer to appreciate where their strengths are and where there are areas of improvement required.

All subjects will be involved, except for Creative Arts subjects, Computer Science and PE.

To prepare our students for Year 8 Progress Review Week we will be completing the following:

- Tutors will be presenting a "Growth Mindset" tutorial session, which involves excellent guidance on how to effectively revise and prepare for tests. This PowerPoint will be shared with all Year 8 students via their tutor group Google Classroom.
- Further to this, we have liaised with teachers and requested that all Home Learning tasks, as from Monday 13th May, relate in some way to the topic areas for revision. This will provide students with plenty of time to prepare for their tests.
- During Progress Review Week, where possible, home learning tasks will be revision based.

All testing will take place within the usual classrooms and last no longer than 40 minutes. Some selected students will be allocated 25% extra time due to their individual needs.

Reports home to parents, including the outcomes from the Progress Review Week, will be posted later in the term.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs P Buckland-Speller & Mr S Young Joint Head of Year 8



