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Dear Parent or Carer,

Reading is a fundamental skill that underpins every area of life. Whether it's reading a job application, interpreting instructions, understanding a prescription, or simply following a recipe, strong reading skills are essential. At our academy, we are committed to developing confident, capable readers who are fully prepared for the future.

As part of this commitment, we assess the reading ages of all students in Years 7 to 9 three times each academic year. We are now approaching the first STAR Reading Test of the year. This assessment is crucial, as it provides us with valuable insight into your child's current reading ability. It enables us to identify any students who may need further support and ensure that appropriate interventions are put in place.

The test will take place during lesson time in a computer room and typically takes between 20 and 30 minutes to complete. It is completed online and within their usual class setting. The STAR Reading Test cannot be "passed" or "failed" – it simply gives us a clear picture of each student's reading level.

In order for the test data to be accurate and useful, it is vital that your child tries their best and takes the test seriously. We would appreciate your support in speaking with your child about the importance of this assessment and encouraging them to approach it with focus and effort.

Please also help us by ensuring your child is in school. If your child is unwell, there is no need to worry—our team will ensure that they are given an opportunity to take the test when they return.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support in helping us give every student the best chance to succeed.

Yours faithfully,

K.Carpenter

Vice Principal

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