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Dear Parent/Carer

What a term it has been. Year 7 students have settled so well and it has been great to watch them participating in Dene Magna life to the full. A few examples come to mind: helping out with Open Evening, sponsored walk, sports fixtures, going to clubs and, of course, being fabulous in lessons and around the school.

We are writing to you today to let you know that all Year 7 students will be undertaking a series of 'Cognitive Ability Tests' (CATs) over the next few weeks. These are all undertaken in school and online. To the students they are a series of 'quizzes' done on computers. There is nothing that they can or need to do to prepare for these and they do not need to worry about them!

The CATs provide us with a valuable insight into how we can support each student to become the best that they can be. We use this information to tailor our support and ensure that we know each student's strengths and areas of development.

Thank you for your continued support and should you have any queries regarding the CATs please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Yours sincerely

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