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Dear Parents and Carers

Year 7 PASS Testing

We are writing to inform you that our year 7 students will be doing PASS testing during form time in the coming weeks.

Pupil Attitudes to Self and School (PASS) is an assessment that involves students answering survey style questions that takes 20-30 minutes. It gives staff an indication of how a student is thinking and what their attitude to school and learning is. It is based on a trusted psychometric measure and is widely used by thousands of schools in the UK.

PASS helps staff understand why students may be reluctant, disengaged, or disruptive learners by sensitively exploring social and emotional wellbeing. It then provides interventions and guidance so that issues can start to be addressed immediately and effectively. All of our year 7 students will be taking the assessments.

PASS is a formative assessment, which means that it does not count towards any formal mark or grade. It is however taken in formal exam style conditions, to ensure individual responses. They will be completing the tests on computers in school.

There is no need for revision or training as PASS is intended to gain an accurate understanding of how a student honestly feels about themselves and their school at that moment in time. There are no right or wrong answers, and the child should not be coached in any way regarding their responses.

We have invested in PASS testing to enable us to understand our students better as individuals and to help us put the right support, if needed, in place for them at the right time.

If you have any questions please email admin@oldburyacademy.org.uk or call us on 0121 533 3750.

Many thanks for your support.



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