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Dear Parent/Carer,

At City Academy it is important that we occasionally assess all our students to see what their needs are and how we can best help them learn and achieve.

As part of this process, we will be administering the Cognitive Abilities Test (*CAT4*) to all students in Year 7 and Year 9. *CAT4* is made up of a series of short tests which assess a student's reasoning (thinking) abilities in key areas that support educational development and academic attainment. No preparation is necessary; it is important that your child does not become anxious as no pre-learning or knowledge is needed to complete the tests. *CAT4* has many uses and can help your child and his/her teachers to plan appropriately and set targets for different Key Stages and for GCSE and A-level (or Standard and Intermediate Grade exams).

After the assessment is finished, we will be in touch again with results and our plans, if any, for further follow-up.

If you have any queries or concerns, please contact school.

Yours faithfully,

Mr. P Coleby  
Assistant Headteacher