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Dear Year 6 Families,

Re: CATs Testing

This half term, your child will sit a series of short CATs (Cognitive Abilities Tests) which are used by Hackney secondary schools to band the year 7 cohort into ability groups. The aim of the tests is to ensure that each school admits a wide range of children of different abilities.

These tests assess how well children can independently think about tasks and solve problems using a range of different questions. The reasoning questions are: non-verbal (shapes and patterns), verbal (words) and quantitative (numbers). There are also questions that test children's spatial ability.

The CATs test will be completed by the pupils on iPads and the tests will start on the week beginning Monday 21st October 2024.

If you have any questions regarding the report, please feel free to ask your child's classteacher or contact myself via the school office.

Kind regards

Derek Hewie
Headteacher