



Dear Parent/Carer,

## S1 BASELINE ASSESSMENTS

At Baldragon Academy, closing gaps in attainment and raising attainment for all is a main priority. We aim, therefore, to give every learner an educational experience which meets their needs.

To help us better understand your child's learning, all S1 pupils will be asked to complete a nationally recognised baseline assessment called MidYIS. This highly regarded form of testing measures vocabulary, maths, skills and non-verbal reasoning and it helps teachers to identify pupil strengths, weaknesses and learning preferences.

The assessment results, together with other evidence of learning, informs future planning and provides a basis for individual target setting. This is especially important for your child as they move through their Broad General Education and prepare for the Senior Phase of their learning.

The assessment is computerised and lasts approximately 50 minutes. No preparation is required beforehand as it is based on a pupil's individual response to questions. There is no overall mark – rather an indicator of how a particular individual learns. Some pupils with additional support needs will sit a separate assessment as directed by our pupil support department.

Assessments will be timetabled to take place during week beginning 29 November and pupils will be extracted from their normal classes for this to take place. Should your child be absent anytime during the testing, they will be asked to undertake the assessment at the earliest opportunity.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs S Lowe  
Depute Head Teacher

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