



9<sup>th</sup> October 2023

Dear Year 5 Parents,

Year 5 is an important time for decision making and senior school preparation. Lessons at school are carefully planned to help prepare and support your child in any future entrance tests or assessment days. We want them to get to a point where they feel confident that, by the time they get to Year 6, they will be able to enter an assessment or interview with good strategies, skills and knowledge.

Atom Learning have offered us online mock exams tailored to the types of assessments your children will be sitting at independent school or grammar schools. We can access many different types of exams, such as CEM-style papers or papers very similar to the Reading School exam. I think this will be a valuable preparation tool and it will provide detailed results and feedback to your children.

There will be a small charge for this additional service to cover our administration, time and fees. I would like to offer you the package of mock exam credits for a payment of £20 (added to your invoice). This would include 3 termly online mock exams. For example, the CEM exam comprises two papers, Paper 1 and Paper 2, which both last 45 minutes. Each paper will contain a number of parts. English and Verbal Reasoning are usually combined into one paper, and Maths and Non-verbal Reasoning in the other.

Please email me before the end of this half term if you would prefer your child not to be included in these mock exam sessions, otherwise I will assume your child is taking part over the next three terms.

Thank you and kind regards,

Tamara Hunt

Deputy Head Academics