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Dear Parents and Carers

### Year 8 Assessments

#### How is my child's work and progress assessed at Victory?

We have decided to change our assessment policy to ensure that children and their families are well informed of when formal tests will take place. We want to make sure assessments are spiraled, covering content from previous learning that will assess both knowledge and skills. In doing this, we hope that your child can prepare in advance and that this can enable you to support at home; making the process more valuable for everyone.

Once the data is captured from assessments, staff will have a feedback week where misconceptions are addressed both individually and collectively. Through our diagnostics we can then put the appropriate interventions in place to help children cement their understanding, so they do not fall behind.

There are three formal assessment points for English, Mathematics and Science throughout the year. All other subjects will have two formal assessment points throughout the year. Each of these assessments will fall within a two-week period. Staff will inform individual groups of when these assessments will take place and the format, and they will also make sure you are informed via Class Charts.

#### The third set of formal assessments for Year 8 will take place:

- Mathematics on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June
- English on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June
- Science on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> June

#### Preparing for assessments – What can I do?

- Complete all homework set by the teachers.
- Revise using the new Assessment Journals below. These will also be available on our website.
- Scan QR codes in planners for [knowledge organisers](#) (or click on the link provided).
- Attend Homework Club.

As mentioned above, these are the formal assessment points but lots of informal assessments will take place in the classroom daily through: questioning; low stakes quizzes; live marking; homework; and from work completed in exercise books.

**Reports 1 and 2 with assessment data were sent out this year. You will receive a third report by the end of this year.** Students will also receive their percentages from teachers as assessments are marked and should communicate this with you.

If you would like any further information, please do not hesitate to contact Miss A Hazell on [a.hazell@ormistonvictoryacademy.co.uk](mailto:a.hazell@ormistonvictoryacademy.co.uk) or Mr R Cole on [r.cole@ormistonvictoryacademy.co.uk](mailto:r.cole@ormistonvictoryacademy.co.uk).



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Enc. Y8 Assessment Journal Summer '24



## Year 8 Assessment Journal – Summer 2024

Subject	Assessment Content	Assessment Format	Weighting	HW/Independent Revision
<b>English</b>	<b>AP1</b> Journeys' End and Poetry	Spiral exam paper. Range of short form questions with longer writing question which has a very clear mark scheme.	100%	Bedrock develops language skills which are incorporated in core questions and assessed in writing.
	<b>AP2</b> Journeys' End, Poetry, Salt to the Sea - building on understanding narrative perspective.	Spiral exam paper building on knowledge and skills with a very clear mark scheme.		
	<b>AP3</b> Content from all previous units (Poetry, Journey's End, Salt to the Sea) Additional questions on Autobiography and Shakespeare.			
<b>Mathematics</b>	<b>AP1</b> <u>Set 1 and 2:</u> NP6 - Directed Number A1 - Introduction to Algebraic Thinking NP7 - Fractions NP8 - Percentages, Fractions and Decimals  <u>Set 3, 4 and 5:</u> NP5 - Order of Operations NP6 - Directed Number A1 - Introduction to Algebraic Thinking	Spiral Exam Paper	100% exam paper	Dr Frost HW tasks and digital KO (this is their course page - can be found on their Dr Frost Dashboard)  <a href="#">Knowledge Organiser</a>
	<b>AP2</b> <u>Set 1 and 2:</u> NP9 - Estimation and Use of a Calculator A2 - Manipulating and Simplifying Expressions GM1 - Drawing, Measuring and Constructing  <u>Set 3, 4 and 5:</u> NP6 - Directed Number NP7 - Fractions NP8 - Percentages, Fractions and Decimals			

	<p><b>AP3</b>  <u>Set 1 and 2:</u>  A2 - Manipulating and Simplifying Expressions 1  A3 - Manipulating and Simplifying Expressions 2  A4 - Linear Equations</p> <p><u>Set 3, 4 and 5</u>  NP7 - Fractions  NP8 - Percentages, Fractions and Decimals  A1 - Introduction to Algebraic Thinking</p>			
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Science</b></p>	<p><b>AP1</b>  Food and Nutrition  Plants and their reproduction  Current Electricity</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Spiral exam covering all of the topics completed since September by this point.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">100% written paper</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Seneca and BBC Bitesize provide quizzes and follow up work to support in lesson learning.  <a href="#">Knowledge Organisers</a></p>
	<p><b>AP2</b>  Food and Nutrition  Plants and their reproduction  Current Electricity  Light  Atoms, Elements and Molecules  Muscles and Bones</p>			
	<p><b>AP3</b>  Food and Nutrition  Plants and their reproduction  Current Electricity  Light  Atoms, Elements and Molecules  Muscles and Bones, Energy transfers, Fluids, Combustion and Rocks.</p>			