



4th May 2022

RE: New Group Reading Test

Dear Parent or Carer,

In school, we wish to 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 New Group Reading Test (NGRT) to your child.

The (NGRT) is a standardised assessment that reliably measures reading skills against the national average to help get to the root of any problems. NGRT provides information about sentence completion and comprehension skills, allowing identification of where difficulties lie. This assessment will allow for monitoring of reading progress and can measure the impact of intervention, so a pupil's reading ability can be benchmarked using the Standardised Age Score (SAS).

The NGRT will take place for all Year 7 pupils on Thursday 12th May in the hall. Your child will arrive at the hall during registration, and the assessment will start by 08.50, and will last up to 60 minutes. As the NGRT is not an exam, and the purpose is to give Emmbrook the reading ages for all Year 7 pupils, Exam Access Arrangements are not required.

No preparation is necessary; it is important to try and limit your child's anxiety before the NGRT, as no pre-learning or knowledge is needed to complete it. For reassurance, staff will be available on the day to support any issues.

The NGRT has many uses, and can help your child and their teachers to plan appropriately and set targets for the future, and to monitor the progress of their reading age. After the assessment is completed, we will be in touch again with the results, and our plans, if any, for further follow up.

For more information about the NGRT, please see the following link:

[New Group Reading Test - GL Assessment \(gl-assessment.co.uk\)](http://www.gl-assessment.co.uk)

Please let me know if you have any queries or concerns.

Yours faithfully.

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