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Dear Parent/Guardian,

This is just a short letter to inform you that all first-year students will be completing the *CAT4* and *PPAD-E* tests during school time over the next 4 weeks. These tests are commonly used across all schools in Ireland. More information about the tests and how we use them can be found below.

CATS are made up of a series of short tests, which assess a student's reasoning (thinking) abilities in key areas that support educational development and academic attainment. No preparation is necessary; it is important that your child does not become anxious as no pre-learning or revision is needed to complete the tests and your child will not be moved to a different class following the test completion.

PPAD-E is a test to examine the literacy skills of our students. Again, there is no need for the student to prepare in advance. The purpose of the test is to help us know when someone may need extra help with learning, and what kind of help may be best. As we identify those students who require extra help, we will be able to tailor classroom instruction to meet those needs and give targeted interventions to those who need it.

Thank you for your cooperation,

Kind regards,

Ms. Barrett
SEN Coordinator



Principal – Kerry Harkin

Deputy Principal – Sean Costelloe

