



## Maximising our Potential

3<sup>rd</sup> July 2024

Dear Parent/Carer,

At Key Stage 4, students all have GCSE target grades to provide a clear focus to enable students to achieve their best possible outcomes at GCSE. Normally, students' target grades are based on the Key Stage 2 SATs results that they sit in Year 6. However, due to the COVID lockdown, students will be receiving Kirkby High School Aspirational Targets in each of their subjects.

To provide this Kirkby Aspirational Target, all Year 9 students will undergo a Yellis Online Assessment on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> or Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2024. The assessment will last approximately 1 hour and will be completed during lesson time.

The Yellis Assessment will focus on the following 3 areas:

- **Vocabulary** – *word fluency and understanding*
- **Mathematics** – *logical thinking, manipulating numbers and numerical concepts*
- **Non-verbal ability** – *ability to match patterns, reflections and rotations and applying visual intuition*

Once the assessment is completed, the information will be shared with teachers to ensure that your child has the necessary resources to unlock and maximise their potential.

**I cannot stress the importance of your child's full engagement in this online assessment, as this is the information that will initially be sent through to any further education providers, such as colleges or apprenticeships. Therefore, it is vital that you support your child in attending on time and completing the assessment to the best of their ability.**

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at school.

Yours faithfully,

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