

Dear Parents

COGNITIVE ABILITY TESTS – 23rd September 2026

We carry out Cognitive Ability Tests on students to help us monitor students' progress and set targets for each year group. This is normally done at the start of year 7, but as your child joined us later in the academic year we have arranged for them to take the tests on Wednesday 23rd September – see the attached timetable for details.

Students will sit 3 tests on one day, each lasting no more than 45 minutes. They will be briefed before each test and then work individually to complete it in the time allowed.

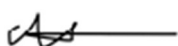
Students cannot and should not revise or prepare for these tests. They should bring 2 HB pencils and a rubber and the attached timetable. Students will follow this schedule for the day:

08:35 – 08:45	Attend registration
08:45 movement bell	Line up in atrium in seat numbers as per exam timetable
09:00	CATs – first test
09:45 movement bell	Break: students must stay in the atrium only or use toilets
10:00	Line up in atrium as before
10:05	CATs – second test
10:45 Tutor	As normal
11:05 Break	As normal
11:25 Period 3	As normal
13:10 movement bell	Line up in atrium as before
13:15	CATs – third test
14:15 Period 5	As normal

Please note that access arrangements such as extra time/scribes/readers are not used for CATs but will be applied, where appropriate, in future exams.

If you have any questions, please contact me on the email address below.

Yours sincerely



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