

**ADMISSIONS ARRANGEMENTS FOR PUPILS WISHING TO JOIN
YEAR 7 IN SEPTEMBER 2016**

Other than in exceptional circumstances, only girls born between 1st September 2004 and 31st August 2005 are able to apply for admission to Year 7 in September 2016.

Girls wishing to join our school in Year 7 in September 2016 will sit the entrance tests and parents will know the outcome of the tests **before** they complete their Local Authority Application Form.

We will be arranging a number of opportunities for parents and daughters to visit the school beforehand to enable you to find out more about the school.

Open Evening (6.30 – 8.30pm)

Thursday 10th September 2015

(Talks by the Headteacher will take place at 6.45pm, 7.20pm and 7.50pm)

Closing date for “Registering for Testing” is

12 noon on Friday 11th September 2015

(Registration forms will be available from 20th April 2015

either by contacting the Admissions Officer or downloading/submitted the form on our website)

The entrance tests will take place on

Saturday 26th September 2015

(Girls will take tests in Mathematics, English and Verbal Reasoning)

Entrance test results will be sent by first class post on

Friday 16th October 2015

The closing date for the receipt of applications by Local Authorities is

Saturday 31st October 2015

(You must apply to your home Local Authority listing your school preferences.)

Offers of school places will be sent by your Local Authority on

Tuesday 1st March 2016

ENTRANCE TESTS

Pupils seeking admission into Year 7 take tests in Mathematics, English and Verbal Reasoning. All tests are set to be appropriate for the pupils in their final year of the KS2 national curriculum. It is acknowledged that candidates are unlikely to have covered all of the work that is tested — the tests take account of this.

Mathematics (GL Assessment) – Time Allowed: 50 minutes

The Mathematics paper is based on work which candidates would normally cover during Key Stage 2 of the national curriculum. It covers most aspects of Key Stage 2, up to level 5, with some questions aimed at level 6.

English (GL Assessment) – Time Allowed: 45 minutes

The English paper tests comprehension, vocabulary and punctuation.

Verbal Reasoning (GL Assessment) – Time Allowed: 50 minutes

This test is designed to analyse a pupil's academic potential and indicate areas of strength or weakness.

GL Assessment Papers

For the three GL Assessment (Granada Learning Assessment) papers, questions are of a multiple-choice style, with candidates entering their answers on a pre-printed sheet. Scores achieved in these papers are standardised against national criteria by age.

All GL Assessment tests are designed to be taken to very strict time limits. Many pupils within a wide range of ability will be able to answer most of the questions, given sufficient time; our tests show a pupil's ability to work accurately at speed, a vital aspect of their future work in a selective school. For this reason, no variation in this timing is permitted unless the applicant has a relevant statement of educational need. Any specific problems which may affect a girl's performance should be drawn to the attention of the admissions panel by submitting the Application for Access Arrangements form. The deadline for submitting this form is 12 noon on Monday 14th September. The admissions panel will take all such information into account when deciding on eligibility for entry to the school.

11 + Practice Papers – Author(s): GL Assessment and Letts Educational

GL Assessment produces packs of practice papers for the tests used, which are sold at major bookstores or can be purchased on-line from <http://shop.gl-assessment.co.uk>

GL Assessment 11 + Practice Papers (multiple choice)

English	ISBN 978 0 7087 1984 8
Mathematics	ISBN 978 0 7087 1985 5
Verbal Reasoning	ISBN 978 0 7087 1987 9

If there is any reason why your daughter cannot sit the entrance tests on the correct date e.g. illness, etc., please inform the Headteacher as soon as possible.

If girls attend the entrance tests they will be presumed to be well enough to sit the papers.