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Dear Parents

11+ Dates for September 2021 Entry

The current situation with COVID-19 and school closures is obviously disruptive to our 11+ planning. We have been working closely with GLA, our 11+ provider, to ensure that the 11+ procedure for September 2021 entry has minimum disruption.

Our decision making must be guided by current government advice and so dates may still be subject to change. However, our current plans are outlined below.

Practice tests

If schools are back and social distancing measures are such that we can go ahead with tests we will do these as usual. However, if schools are still closed or social distancing measures means exams and tests are not possible, these will not go ahead. We are waiting to hear what the government decides regarding schools opening.

In the meantime please use the free familiarisation materials available from GLA which can be found here: https://www.gl-assessment.co.uk/products/11plus-series-11-plus-practice-papers/11plus-familiarisation-materials/.

Actual tests

We have moved these to:

Friday/Saturday 18/19 September Verbal Reasoning

Friday/Saturday 25/26 September Non-Verbal Reasoning

These are one week later than originally published. This is in order for schools to make arrangements for autumn open evenings and also to allow time to work with primary schools who carry out the tests on behalf of their local grammar schools.

Notification of results

Schools will receive these from GLA by 15 October 2020. This means parents will still receive their results <u>before</u> they have to submit their preference forms to their home local authority.

We would like to thank all parents for their understanding and patience during this difficult time.

Yours faithfully

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