



Dear Parents,

### **13+ Entrance Exams for September 2021 Entry: an important update**

Typically, around 100 boys sit for our 13+ exam every January. We were originally planning to hold these tests on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> January - the same day as our 10+ entrance assessments - but in the current health crisis, it is not sensible to assume that we will be able to invite this number of boys and their parents onto our site at the same time next term, along with all of the staff used for the invigilation, marking and administration of the tests. We also became aware that since setting our 13+ assessments date, Whitgift School have needed to adjust their arrangements, which has resulted in a clash of dates. As many of you may be applying to both schools, we felt that any clash was unhelpful.

So, with apologies but in order to avoid this clash, **we will hold our 13+ Entrance Assessments at Trinity School on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2021.**

Having a separate day for our 13+ assessments will enable us to manage appropriate social distancing, whilst allowing us to conduct our exams in as normal an atmosphere as possible. We are planning no other changes to our assessments. Boys will still sit for papers in English (comprehension and creative writing), Mathematics and Verbal Reasoning. Full details may be found on our website and in our Admissions Guide.

Unfortunately, due to restrictions placed on us by Covid-19, whilst we can provide snacks, we will not be able to provide lunch for the candidates, as we would normally expect. Boys should therefore bring a packed lunch on the day. Please also be aware that applicants will be required to wear a mask any time when they are not sitting at their exam desk. Other sensible hygiene requirements will be explained to the applicants on the day of the exams.

I am sorry that we have been obliged to make these changes, but I hope that we have been able to publish them in good time. If you have any questions or concerns, please do contact the Lower School Admissions team.

Yours sincerely,

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