



Dear Parents/Carers,

Re: Cognitive Abilities Tests (CATs) for Year 7 learners

As part of our continuous drive to provide your son/daughter with the best possible life chances, I would like to introduce you to a new test which we would like all Year 7 learners to take.

Cognitive Abilities Tests (CATs) are often taken in Year 7 in many schools. They provide us with accurate information on your son/daughter's strengths, learning preferences and areas for development. The information that we will receive will enable us to more accurately place your son/daughter in the correct class groups, ensuring they can maximise and unlock their potential.

The CAT 4 tests will take place in St. Edmund's on **Friday 7th March 2014** in the Sports Hall all morning. No revision or preparation is necessary; the tests are not designed to test knowledge but how your son/daughter interprets four key areas.

The four parts of the test are as follows:

- 1) Verbal (word sequences)
- 2) Non-Verbal (shape sequences)
- 3) Quantitative (number sequences)
- 4) Spatial (figure analysis)

For more information, please visit the GL Assessment website: www.gl-assessment.co.uk, or use this QR code for instant access:



Making the right decisions over group setting is paramount in making your son/daughter feel secure and able to achieve their best. I am certain that our tests at St. Edmund's will have a positive impact on your son/daughter's educational journey with us.

If you have any queries or questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at school on 01902 55 88 88 (extension 107).

Yours faithfully,

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