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Dear Parents and Guardians,

## CSSE 11+ Testing for Year 5 children interested in CSSE Schools for September 2021 Entry

In these difficult times, we are grateful to all our primary and secondary school staff for their dedication and commitment. During lockdown teachers and support staff have diligently carried out their duties to ensure education has been ongoing for the children of key workers.

There has been a number of parents who have emailed the CSSE office to enquire about the testing procedures scheduled for the Autumn 2020. We are continuing to listen to government guidance on an ongoing basis and would like to offer you some reassurance, even if we are unable to respond to specific questions at this time.

### CSSE REGISTRATION FOR THE 11+ TEST

Registration opens on the 19<sup>th</sup> May 2020 and closes on the 1<sup>st</sup> July 2020. Registration will commence as published and you are encouraged to register as early as possible. Online registration is continuously available and does not require you to contact the CSSE office. Full guidance and instruction for registering online is supplied in the Guide for Parents 2021 Entry that is published on the CSSE website [www.csse.org.uk](http://www.csse.org.uk)

### CSSE SCHOOLS ADMISSIONS POLICIES

There is a link on the CSSE website to all CSSE schools. It is important that you view this information if you are considering applying to CSSE schools in the Autumn 2020 for September 2021 Entry.

### CSSE SCHOOLS SUMMER TERM SCHEDULED OPEN DAYS/EVENINGS

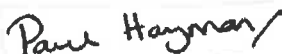
Information and any updates in relation to Summer Term 2020 open days/evenings will be displayed on each school's website.

### CSSE TESTING

At this current time the 10 CSSE schools are exploring a variety of options and the CSSE will duly inform the Grammar School Heads Association (GSHA) of any developments. You should be aware that adjustments may need to be made to the usual testing arrangements at local and national level to ensure finalisation of the testing process. All decisions will be made taking account of government guidelines.

The timing of the testing and the issue of safety are being currently considered along with the administration of the test. **We are currently unable to give exact dates or timings.** When finalised these will be confirmed to primary schools and will be displayed on the CSSE website.

Yours sincerely



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