



Joy Lane Primary School

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Friday 5th April 2019

Oyster Bay Nursery & Oysters SRP (ASD)

Executive Headteacher: Ms D J Hines

Head of School: Mr M Ashley-Jones

Dear Parents and Carers of Year 5 children

Term 5 Cognitive Ability Tests

In Term 5, the children will be sitting their Cognitive Ability Tests during the week commencing Monday 29th April 2019. We administer Cognitive Ability Tests (CATs) so that you have a guide as to the suitability of your child for the Grammar School selective system that operates in Kent.

The test will assess your child's ability in four areas: Verbal (which equates loosely to English), Non-Verbal (pattern awareness), Quantitative (Maths) and Spatial (shape and space manipulation).

Ideally, to be considered suitable to sit the Kent Test, a pupil will usually have to score well in all four areas, not just one or two papers. Once these tests have been administered and their scores processed, we will send a copy of your child's scores home with further guidance explaining the scores. You may want further advice as to the best way forward as a result of these test scores and an update on current progress and attainment of your child. There will be an opportunity to make an appointment with your child's class teacher or Mr Ashley-Jones.

There is no need to make a decision about your child's Secondary School at this stage, and additional information evenings will support you throughout the Kent Test procedure and the Secondary School application process.

Our Kent Test (11Plus) Information Evening will take place at 6pm on Wednesday 22nd May. It is your choice as Parents and Carers whether your child takes this selective test on 12th September 2019

It is common practice for all children in Year 5 to sit the Cognitive Ability Tests; however, if you would like to **withdraw** your child from this process, then please complete the attached slip.

Yours sincerely

Miss P Bell

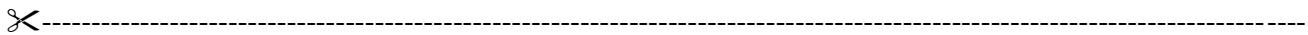
Miss S Gillmore

Mrs S Kyle

Year 5 Team Leader

Dali Class Teacher

Degas Class Teacher



Term 5 Cognitive Ability Tests

Child's Name: Class:

**Please tick as appropriate*

I understand the process and would like to withdraw my child from sitting the Cognitive Ability Tests.

Parent/Carer Signature:

Date:

CATs/InfoLetter/Apr19



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