

## Re: Year 5 Pupils Starting Secondary School in Sept 2025

Monday 15th April 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Although it hardly seems possible, it will soon be time for you to consider which secondary school you would like your child to join when they leave us in July 2025.



Y5 families are invited to a meeting with Mrs Donelan on **Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April 5.15pm** to explore the application process for secondary school and find out about the 11+ testing arrangements for Grammar School. Please do try to attend so you can make informed decisions for your child.

11+ testing applications open 1<sup>st</sup> - 31st May and secondary school applications open 1<sup>st</sup> September; we will explain how to go about applying for your child and answer any questions you may have.

Each year there are families who are not allocated their chosen secondary school, so please do endeavour to attend the meeting so you know how the process works and what you need to do for your child.

The first part of the meeting will be for ALL Y5 FAMILIES where we will explain how to apply for a secondary school place for September 2024. This will probably be about 20 minutes and then some time for you to ask any questions you may have. For those who want to know more about grammar school testing we will then continue for a further 15 minutes followed by questions and the opportunity to consider if Grammar school would be appropriate for your child.

Secondary schools usually provide open evenings during the summer and autumn terms 2024 and we are beginning to receive information about dates and timings which we will share with you as they are published. Do go and visit schools so you can see what they have to offer, you can also look at secondary school websites with your child to find out more about the different schools available locally. Parents will need to make choices during September - October 2024 when children are in Year 6, so it is advisable to be well-informed.

I hope you will find the meeting helpful – we look forward to seeing you all and your son or daughter is welcome to join us!

Kind Regards,

Amanda Donelan

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