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Dear Parent/Carer,

RE: Kent Test 2021

Children due to start secondary school in September 2022 can now register for the Kent Test. Assessment is normally carried out during Term 1 and 2 2021. The Kent Test is planned for September 2021.

Registration - September 2022 admissions

If your child is due to start secondary school in September 2022, you can register them for the Kent Test between [1st June and midnight on 1st July 2021](#).

Please register by [following this link](#) if you want your child considered for a place at a Kent grammar school in September 2022. You will need to follow the online instructions. First you will need to sign in or create an account by [clicking here](#).

Important Dates

The Kent Test is due to take place on:

- 9th September 2021 for children who go to school in Kent
- the weekend of 11th September 2021 for children who go to school outside Kent.

What does the test look like and how can I help my child?

The tests are multiple-choice with a separate answer sheet. They are marked by an automated marking machine.

The first test will be an English and maths paper and will take 1 hour. Each section will involve a 5 minute practice exercise followed by a 25 minute test. The English section will involve a comprehension exercise as well as some additional questions drawn from a set designed to test literacy skills.

The second test will be a reasoning paper. It will take about 1 hour, including the practice sections and questions. It will contain a verbal reasoning section and a non-verbal reasoning section of roughly the same length. The non-verbal reasoning will be split into short sections, administered and timed individually.

There will also be a writing exercise which will not be marked but may be used by a local headteacher panel as part of the headteacher assessment stage of the process. 40 minutes will be allowed for the writing task, including 10 minutes planning time.

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Familiarisation paper

This document explains the Kent Test papers for children who will take them, and parts of it will not be fully accessible to users of some assistive technologies.

Any child with a severe visual impairment who cannot access test papers can instead be assessed by a head-teacher panel, which will look at their classwork and academic achievement. If you need to know more about the content of our familiarisation paper or how we assess students with visual impairments, please email kent.admissions@kent.gov.uk.

[Click here to view the familiarisation paper.](#)

Results Day

Registered online?	Did not register online
If you registered online, we will email your child's Kent Test result to you after 4pm on 21 October 2021 (the delivery time will depend on your email service provider).	<p>If you did not register online and we do not have a valid email address for you, the Kent Test result can only be sent by letter.</p> <p>If possible, we will post your child's result to you on results day by first class post. You can ask your child's primary school for their test scores the day after results go out.</p>

Applying for a Secondary School

Applications for the secondary school intake of 2022 open in September 2021. This year Kent parents will be able to name up to 4 secondary school preferences. If your child is assessed as suitable for grammar school, any Kent grammar school you apply for will consider your application, but this does not guarantee your child will be offered a place. More information about how to apply will be available when applications open in September 2021.

Should you need support with your application please contact myself through the school office and I will be happy to support you through the application.

Your sincerely,

Mr L Clarke
Deputy Headteacher