Assumption Grammar School



"Fully Alive"

Transfer 2017 Familiarisation Evening



- Vice-Principal's Introduction
- · Arrangements for 18 November
- Tour of Assessment Area
- Opportunity for questions Leadership Team available

Arrangements for Transfer 2017



- Saturday 18 November 2017
- Supplementary Paper Saturday 9 December 2017
- Monday 27 November 2017 at 2 pm-deadline for receipt of requests to take the Supplementary Entrance Assessment
- Held in classrooms. As far as possible, children will be in classrooms with others from their primary school.
- Assumption Staff invigilate the exam.
- GL Assessment sets, marks and standardises the examination.

Arrangements for Transfer: Before the Day



Information Cards have been sent out. Rooms are identified using letters.

The cards should indicate which desk you go to on your arrival to MH 1.

If there are any mistakes, please let us know this evening.



Entrance Assessment Centre:		
Entrance Assessment Centre School Number:		Room
Child's Name:		Pupil Number
Date of Birth:		
Primary School attended:		
Your child should be present at the Entrance Assessment Centre at 9:00 am. on Saturday 18th November 2017		
Please leave your child at:		
Your child may be collected after the Entrance Assessment at 12:40 pm. on Saturday 18th November 2017		
Please collect your child at:		





• There are 2 cards:

 The first card is to be brought to registration on Saturday 18 November

• The second card is to be brought by parent on collection of child after the assessment

Administration on the Day



You should arrive between 8.15am and 9.00am. Please be aware there are major roadworks on various routes going into Ballynahinch. Please ensure you make time for your journey.

Parking will be directed – please be patient.

Children and parents will enter via the doors in Multi Hall 1.

The information card will state which Registration Desk you go to.

Parents should accompany their child to the desk where they will be met by Staff and pupils.

Administration on the Day



- After your child has signed in, an Assumption Senior Pupil will accompany him/her to either the Windmill Restaurant or Multi Hall 2.
- Children will be grouped with others from their school and an invigilator will supervise them until it is time to go to the specified room.
- There will be an opportunity to visit the toilet at this stage.
- If a candidate arrives after the English paper has started, he/she will not be able to sit the assessment and will be required to take the Supplementary Assessment Saturday 9th December.

Access Arrangements



All parents who applied for Access Arrangements will have been contacted to discuss the arrangements

Saturday 18 November 2017



- All stationery: pencils, erasers and paper, will be provided by the Assessment Centre
- Answer sheets will be pre-printed with children's details

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No paper or assessment materials may be taken from the room

Saturday 18 November 2017

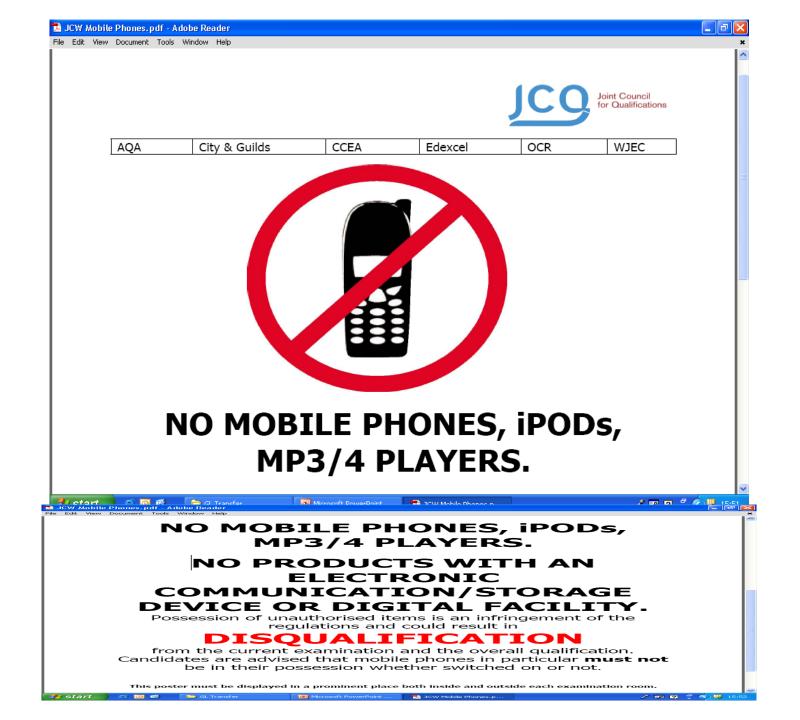
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- Children are advised to wear their school uniform
- No bags/ drinks/ food may be brought into the Assessment Centre
- Refreshments will be provided which take account of food allergy information provided in Registration forms



18 November 2017: Timescale for the Day



- Arrive at Assumption from 8.15am 9:00am
- Children to be seated in Assessment Room for 9.30am
- English Practice and Assessment paper
- Break at 10.55am to 11.25am

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- Children to be seated in Assessment Room for 11.30am
- Maths Practice and Assessment paper
- Completion at 12.30pm
- Children will be brought to Multi Hall 1 and collected by parents





- · 30 min break
- Refreshments will be eaten in Windmill Restaurant or Multi Hall 2

• The school will provide refreshments

• We operate a *nut free* policy

English Assessment



Practice session: (20 minutes)

1 Reading passage

3 Familiarisation Questions and Answers with explanation (Chief Invigilator reads the explanation)

7 Practice Questions. Children are given time to do these and then only the Answers are read aloud. No explanations are given.

Assessment paper: (50 minutes)

Mathematics Assessment



 3 Familiarisation Questions and Answers with explanation (Chief Invigilator reads the explanation)

6 Practice Questions. Children are given time to do these. No explanations or answers are given

Assessment paper:

45 minutes

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Special Circumstances

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- Shortly before or during the Entrance Assessment, a child might experience medical or other problems which affect his/her performance in the Entrance Assessment. These difficulties are referred to as Special Circumstances.
- Special Circumstances must be claimed in writing (using form SCR) to the centre <u>five</u> working days after the supplementary assessment [by 2.00pm Friday 15 December 2017]
- At this stage no supporting evidence needs to be submitted.
- A pack for claiming Special Circumstances will be available from the Assessment Centre.
- It includes the forms and guidance notes. Parents/Guardians must ensure that claims for Special Circumstances are registered at the Assessment Centre by the date specified.

Special Circumstances



- The decision as to whether to take Special Circumstances into consideration will not be made at this time by the Assessment Centre.
- The centre will confirm receipt of the initial claim to the parent/guardian.

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This confirmation must then be attached by the parent/guardian to the <u>Transfer Form</u> (using form SC1) along with <u>full, supporting documentary evidence</u> when an application is made for Post Primary transfer for the child.

Special Provision



Special Provision will be made for:

- pupils moving or recently moved to Northern Ireland, i.e. children whose parents/guardians wish them to transfer to post primary schools from schools outside Northern Ireland <u>or</u>
- children who have received more than half of their primary education outside Northern Ireland.

Those children to whom this provision applies may, if their parents/guardians wish, sit the Entrance Assessment

Special Provision



- It will also be made for children who:
 - were unable to take the GL Entrance Assessment or the Supplementary Entrance Assessment due to serious medical problems or for another valid reason or
 - have not attended primary school for a substantial period of time in Key Stage 2 due to serious medical problems or for another valid reason.

Transfer Results



Results Posted Friday 26 January 2018

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- GL will give Grades (A, B1, B2 etc) based on the child's Standardised Age Scores
- Primary School principals will be sent the results
- The transfer procedure will then continue through the relevant Education Authority

Saturday 18th November 2017 Entrance Assessment

Monday 27th November 2017

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Deadline (2.00 pm) for receipt of requests to take the Supplementary Entrance Assessment.

• Saturday 9th December 2017

Supplementary Entrance Assessment.

• Friday 15th December 2017

Deadline (2.00 pm) for registering claims for Special Circumstances.

• Friday 26th January 2018

Results of the Entrance Assessment posted (first class) to children's homes.

• Friday 9th February 2018

Deadline (2.00 pm) for receipt of requests for re-mark of the Entrance Assessment.

Group Tour of Assessment Areas



You have been grouped in schools.

Two Year 11 pupils will escort each group.

You will see:

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- The classroom where your child will sit the assessment
- Toilet areas on the ground or top floors
- The Windmill Restaurant/Multi Hall 2
 - Any parent who has not signed the register, please do so at the front desk

<u>Rooms</u>

Rooms A (113) Academy, Saintfield, All Children's PS, Ballynahinch PS (15)

Room B (Sixth Form) Castlewellan Irish School, Bunscoil DPK, Carr, Christ the King, Downshire, Glasswater, St. Patrick's Legamaddy, St. Patrick's, Burrenreagh, St. James' Twickenham, Holy Rosary, St. Joseph's Strangford, Sullivan Prep (22)

Room **C(013-015)** Our Lady and St. Pat's Downpatrick (18)

Room D (204) Cedar Integrated, Dromara PS (13)

Room E (205) Drumlins, Holy Family (14) Room F (206) Portaferry Integrated, Sacred Heart, Dundrum, Spa, Ballycruttle (14)

Room G (207 St. Brigid's DPK, St. Colmcille's PS, St. Francis (13)

<u>Rooms</u>

Room H (209) St Ita's PS, St. Joseph's, Carryduff, Carryduff PS (14)

Room I (208) St. Joseph's, Crossgar and St. Matthew's, C'wellan (15)

Room J (210) St. Malachy's, Kilclief, and St. Patrick's, Saul (14)

Room K (211) St. McCartan's and St. Joseph's, Lisburn (15)

Room L (212) St. Malachy's PS, Cwellan, St. Michael's Finnis (15)

Room M (213) St. Mary's, Aughlisnafin, St. Mary's Killyleagh, Downpatrick PS (13)

Room N (202) St. Mary's, Newcastle and St. Joseph's, Carnacaville, (15) Room O (105) St. Mary's, Portaferry, St. Mary's, Dunsford (14)

Room P (107) St. Mary's, Dechomet, St. Joseph's, Killough, St. Mary's Saintfield (15) Room Q (109) St. Patrick's, Ballynahinch (15)

Room W (018) (3 pupils)

Room X (021) (5 pupils)

Room Y (023) (3 pupils)

<u>Room Z (017)</u>

Irish Medium - Bunscoil, Bheanna Boirche, Bunscoil Mhuire Agus Padraig, OLSP, Scoil an Droichid (11 pupils)



Thank you for your attendance today! If there are any further questions, please feel free to ask any of the Assistant Principals here present or alternatively, call the school.

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