



SOUTH WEST HERTS SCHOOLS CONSORTIUM

June 2025

Dear Colleague,

The purpose of this letter is to highlight the fact that the online registration for the South West Hertfordshire Schools Consortium Admissions Testing will be closing at 6 pm on **Friday 6th June 2025**.

Late registrations will not be permitted.

If desired, please remind your parents of the following information.

South West Herts Schools Consortium test registration website is as follows: <http://www.swhertsschools.org.uk/>. There are links to each school's website, familiarisation papers and a frequently asked questions section. It is worth noting that the familiarisation papers are not designed to replicate the exact number or timings of the test paper that candidates will take in September. They are merely designed to provide an insight into the types of questions that will be asked and to offer a visual familiarity with the test booklet and answer sheet.

- If you consider that your child might be disadvantaged under the terms of the Disability Discrimination Act, or has special educational needs which require the test centre to make particular provision for the tests, you must provide written evidence of this from your child's current school SENDCo. This evidence **MUST BE UPLOADED** to the portal when you register for the test (Step 3 Child's Welfare and Support Information).
- Once we receive this information it will be passed to the test centre to which your child has been allocated in order for them to assess your child's particular requirements. All arrangements are in place for special provision prior to the end of term. You cannot submit this evidence after the closing date of 6th June when the registration portal closes. If you contact us after this date you should be prepared for your child's test centre to decline your request for provision on the main test day and your child will be allocated to the reserve day when your requests can be met in full. A great deal of resource planning goes into the test day and ensuring that staff with the requisite training can be allocated for special consideration. If you are trying to submit evidence after the deadline, please email the Consortium Administration Team

I would like, again, to extend my thanks for your support and again attach a pdf of the test information for you to provide to your Year 5 parents via the usual means of email communication.

Kind regards

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For and behalf of The South West Herts Schools Consortium

**Key Testing Dates In 2025
for Secondary Transfer 2026**

| Date | Test |
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| Tuesday 1 st April | Online registration for the tests opens |
| Friday 6 th June | Online registration closes |
| Friday 27 th June (around noon) | Parents informed of test venue |
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| Saturday 6 th September | Academic test |
| Monday 8 th September | Music aptitude test |
| Wednesday 10 th September | Queens' School sports aptitude test |
| Thursday 18 th September (around noon) | First Round music scores notified to parents |
| w/c Monday 22 nd September | Start of second round music tests |
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| Thursday 16 th October (around noon) | Scores notified to parents |
| Friday 31 st October | Secondary application deadline |

**Sports Test times are allocated on an alphabetical basis which cannot be changed.*

All communication with regard to the Sports test comes directly from Queens' School and your sports test time will not show on the Parent Portal