

FAO Parents/Carers of Year 5 pupils
(via Primary Schools in the selective area)

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Dear Parent/Carer

Changes to the Selective Process

This letter is to inform you about changes that have been made to the Selection Scheme for entry into Year 7 in September 2020.

North Yorkshire County Council originally consulted on changes to the Selective scheme in 2014 / 2015. The proposal was to move to a system of one day testing with all pupils taking the test on the same day in a central venue.

Following responses to the original consultation the proposal was amended to accommodate the request to continue testing pupils over two Saturdays in September. At the time it was agreed that the arrangement would be subject to a review at a later date. In line with the requirement to reduce the budgetary and administrative burden on the authority we have now carried out this review and it has been agreed that the authority will reduce the testing process to one day starting in September 2019.

To assist you, below is a timeline of proposed dates in respect of pupils taking the selective test in September 2019 for entry into school September 2020:

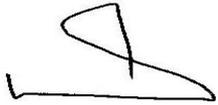
On line application round opens to apply to sit the selection tests "Out of Area" pupils only	14 April 2019
Letters sent to parents of "In Area" children requesting confirmation of inclusion or withdrawal from the selection scheme	29 May 2019
Selection evening for parents – Ermysted's Grammar School, Skipton (7.00pm)	04 June 2019
Selection evening for parents – Ripon Grammar School, Ripon (7.00pm)	06 June 2019
Closing date for applications for selection testing	28 June 2019
Letters of invite sent to parents regarding the test arrangements	30 August 2019
Selection Test Day	14 September 2019
Selection results sent to parents	11 October 2019
Closing date for submission of secondary school applications	31 October 2019
National allocation day - for secondary school places	01 March 2020

You are reminded that if you live within the selective catchment area your child is automatically entered into the selective test but we do require that you confirm that you wish your child to be included.

Further information including the finalised dates will be confirmed on the North Yorkshire County Council web site in January 2019.

Should you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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