

Information for parents making Year 7 2022 Applications to the School

Dear Parent (*personalise*)

Please only read this important email if you have a son in Year 6 for whom you will be applying for a place at NSB for September 2022 entry.

Information in relation to the admissions process is now available on the Admissions page of our website. Information is still being updated as it becomes available, however the link to apply via our Supplementary Information Form is now live.

[Please click here to be directed to our website.](#)

It is important to note that we have previously had instances where parents with a son currently at NSB have only completed the application form on our website, and have not completed the Local Authority application form. In this situation the Local Authority were unable to offer a place at NSB. It is therefore imperative that applications are made both on the Local Authority website where you submit your 3 choices, and by submitting the Supplementary Information Form, found on our website, directly to the school.

Please note that if your son has a Sibling Link (full description of this criterion is below and in our Admissions Policy on the website), then as this is listed as a higher criterion than the Aptitude Tests in the Policy, he does not need to take either the Music or Technology Aptitude Tests. All boys are, however, required to attend the Ability Test and further information in relation to this will be sent to you after the closing date of 31st October 2021.

Sibling Link Definition

Boys applying who have an elder brother or sister on roll and attending the school on the closing date for applications (31st October) will take priority. They will be allocated a place from the band in which they are placed by the Common Ability test. For the purposes of this criterion, 'sibling' is taken to include a step-brother/sister, half-brother/sister, or child who is adopted or fostered, in all cases providing they are living at the same address. Parents applying under this criterion will be required to provide evidence of the address. A parent must provide permission for us to access their son's primary school data, and IN ADDITION TO THIS, a parent must provide EITHER a copy of the most recent child benefit/family tax credit notice OR two further documents such as a letter from your son's GP/dentist/optician, his NHS medical card, a child trust fund document or a health record book. One document should be less than three months old. If a residency order is in place, this can be provided as an alternative to the documents above. Although their place is not dependent on the performance in the common ability test, all boys applying for a sibling criterion place are required to sit the test in order that the overall ability range of the intake reflects that of the applicants.

You will be contacted with full details of the address confirmation documentation required for those with a Sibling Link during the admissions process, this is **not** required to be provided at the point you make your application.

If you have any queries in relation to the Year 7 September 2022 admissions, please contact the Admissions Officer at the school.

Yours sincerely

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