

## Dear Parent/Guardian,

In St. Augustine's College we wish to assess all our 1<sup>st</sup> year students to see what their needs are and how we can best help them learn and achieve. As part of this process, we will be administering the Cognitive Abilities Test (CAT) to all 1<sup>st</sup> year students on Monday.

CAT is made up of a series of short tests which assess a student's reasoning (thinking) abilities in key areas that support educational development and academic attainment. No preparation is necessary. It is important that your child does not become anxious as no prelearning or knowledge is needed to complete the tests.

CAT has many uses and can help your child and his/her teachers to plan appropriately and set targets for examinations.

If you have any queries or concerns please contact me.

Regards

E. Moore

Guidance Counsellor.