

## Dear Parent/Guardian.

In St. Augustine's College we wish to assess all our 1<sup>st</sup> year and 2nd 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 (CAT4) to all 1st and 2nd year students before they finish for the summer holidays.

Cognitive Abilities Test (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 pre-learning or knowledge is needed to complete the tests. Students will need to bring 2 pencils and an eraser. The times and venues for CAT are listed below.

## 1st Year Students will have CAT4 testing - Wednesday June 1st

Surnames (A-M) 9.00-11.00 Surnames (N-Z) 11.15-1.15

Venue: Canteen

## 2nd Year Students will have CAT4 testing - Friday May 27th.

Surnames (A-M) 9.00-11.00 Surnames (N-Z) 11.15-1.15

**Venue:** GYM

Cognitive Abilities Test (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 us.

Regards

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Guidance Counsellor