

Mill Hill School 13+ Entry

Notes on the Assessment Process

Year 6 and Year 7 Track

- For Year 6 and Year 7 Track candidates, the test is a computer-based assessment of aptitude in Reading Comprehension, Mathematics, Verbal and, Non-Verbal Reasoning
- Results are age-standardised, enabling us accurately to compare candidates born at different times of the year
- No specific preparation for the test is appropriate; an online familiarisation test will be made available in advance
- The test is conducted on computers at Mill Hill in November
- Candidates sit the test in small groups in one of our ICT rooms
- Each group of candidates completes the test in approximately one hour; each section has a time limit built into the software
- Candidates have a 15 minute interview with a senior member of staff
- The interview has three phases;
 - reading out a poem and answering questions about it
 - answering questions about school life and academic interests (with candidates showing examples of their exercise books)
 - answering questions about extra-curricular interests at school and home
- Candidates will also take part in a small group activity on the assessment day
- All candidates gaining a place through early testing will be eligible to compete for Awards (see below)

Year 8 Track

- Year 8 tests remain as traditional entrance examinations in English, Mathematics, Science and French, with Latin as an optional paper
- Year 8 examinations assess against the Common Entrance syllabus in each subject, and act as our Academic Award examinations
- Other Awards available: Music, Drama, Art, Design Technology, Sports; assessment is by audition, portfolio or trial as appropriate, in January of Year 8
- Results of Common Entrance examinations, taken by most entrants in June of Year 8, are used for setting purposes
- Those gaining a place through early testing will have the opportunity to compete for Academic Awards by taking the Year 8 examinations. All candidates, including those gaining a place through early testing, will be eligible to compete for these Awards.
- Interviews are as for Year 6 and Year 7 Track