

What time do I need to arrive at the school?

Please arrive between 8.15 am and 8.35 am.

Where should I park?

There is no parking for parents available on the school site. Please note that due to building works there is no vehicle access to the main school from Downfield Road. Please note that Beards Lane is a cul-de-sac. The road has residents' cars parked on both sides of the road and two-way traffic is very restricted. It is strongly recommended that you avoid using Beards Lane for parking but if you do decide to do this, please be considerate to residents in your parking and please do not obstruct driveways etc. There is a [map](#) on the school website showing suggested parking and drop off points.

You may wish to consider parking at Stratford Park Leisure Centre or Stroud College and walking across the railway bridge to the school - this takes approximately 10 minutes. Alternatively an adult and a student may be dropped off at the pedestrian access to the school from Cainscross Road.

Where do I go?

Please bring your daughter into the grounds of the main school site. You will be asked to leave her with one of the Stroud High School staff at one of the entrance doors – either the school café or the hall, depending on her allocated group. Signs will be displayed to show you where to go and where to find your daughter's group. You will receive a letter from the school in September which will contain details of your daughter's allocated group on a peel-off label. **Please ensure she wears the peel-off label on the test day.** Your daughter will be in a group with others from her primary school. You will need to leave your daughter with the member of staff at the door and she will then be checked in. **Please be aware that it is not possible for parents to come into the school for toilet facilities. Your daughter will be able to access the toilets as soon as she has been checked in.**

Can I stay and wait for my daughter?

No – it is not possible to stay on the school site during the entrance test.

What time will she finish?

Your daughter will finish the test at *approximately* 11.30 am but please note this is an anticipated finish time. Please return to the entrance where you left your daughter and wait for her there. If your daughter has special access arrangements this time may be different and you will be advised accordingly.

What if she does not finish at the same time as everyone else?

Please do not be concerned if your daughter's group does not finish as early as others as group start times may vary. Please be prepared to wait for your daughter as not all groups will finish at the same time.

What should she bring with her?

- Her peel off label (which will be sent to you by post in a letter in September)
- Two sharpened HB pencils and a rubber (not in a pencil case)
- A pencil sharpener
- An appropriate drink (not a fizzy drink) and a snack (nut-free), if required for the break in a clear, plastic bag
- The completed [Test Day Identity Form](#), duly signed and with a recent photograph of your daughter fastened to it. This form will be posted to you in September – or may be downloaded from the school website.

What should she NOT bring with her?

- Coats
- Mobile phones
- Any potentially web-enabled sources of information such as iwatches, iPods, MP3/4 players, cameras or wrist watches that include a data storage device. Such equipment must not be brought into the test room

- She will not need a ruler, calculator, scrap paper, protractor or study notes and must not bring any of these items with her.

What is the exam room like?

Your daughter will take the test in a classroom with approximately 25 girls in each group (unless your daughter has special access arrangements). Students from the same primary schools are placed together. Older students from the school provide support for the students both before the tests begin and during the break between tests.

What is the format of the tests?

There are two papers, each administered in about an hour. Each paper comprises several individually timed sections. There are worked examples describing how to answer the questions at the start of each section. The answers have to be completed on a separate answer sheet which will be computer marked. Both tests are conducted under strict exam conditions and timed. Instructions are provided by a prepared audio soundtrack or by the invigilator. There will be a 20 minute break between the papers, away from the test room, where your daughter, will be able to relax, and go to the toilet.

What if my daughter needs the toilet during the test?

Please be aware that if your daughter needs to leave the room to go to the toilet any time taken in doing so is lost. It is not possible for this time to be made up to her. She will be encouraged to visit the toilet before the test and during the break between papers.

Can she do rough work?

She may do her rough work on the question paper – please note that scrap paper is not provided and may not be used.

What if my daughter realises she has completed a section of the paper incorrectly on the answer sheet?

She should raise her hand and speak to the invigilator. The invigilator will reassure your daughter and will advise that she can move her answers to the correct section and then rub out unwanted answers. However the invigilator will not be able to rub out or change answers on behalf of your daughter and extra time is not given to do this.

What if my daughter is unwell on the day of the test?

If there are any usual circumstances, such as illness or bereavement which might affect your daughter's performance on the day of the test please inform us in writing before the day of the test if possible. If special circumstances become apparent on the day of the test or you find it impossible for your daughter to take the test on 15 September please phone the school on 01453 764441 or email admin@stroudhigh.gloucs.sch.uk.

When will I find out my daughter's test result?

You will receive an email from Stroud High School by Friday 12 October to advise whether your daughter has achieved the qualifying standard for entry to the school.

Key dates

Entrance Test	Saturday 15 September 2018
Local Authority 'Common Application Form' deadline	31 October 2018
Local Authority Allocation Day	1 March 2019
Local Authority acceptance of place OR request for re-consideration deadline	TBC
Admissions appeals	TBC

Please note:

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