

### **Admissions FAQ**

#### How can I visit the school?

We host our annual open evenings during the first week of **October** alongside a series of day tours throughout the week. Information regarding these, including how to book a place, can be found on the website during September.

### How do I apply to NSG?

There are two steps that are advised.

- Complete the application process for the West Northamptonshire Council, which can be found <a href="here">here</a>, by the **31st October.**
- Complete the schools supplementary information form, which can be found <a href="here">here</a>, by **31st October.** While **this is not essential to the application process it is advised** as it allows the school to communicate with parents/carers with relevant information, specifically the CAT (Non-Verbal Reasoning) assessments.

#### What are the CAT (Non Verbal Reasoning) assessments?

The CAT (Non Verbal Reasoning) assessment is an assessment of your daughter's non verbal reasoning skills and processes. This information is provided to the council, who allocate all potential applicants into 9 different bands based on the outcome of the assessment. This allows the council to allocate places to reflect the schools comprehensive cohort.

The assessment itself does not require any prior knowledge, or proficiency in English or Maths. There is no requirement or need to revise or prepare. The assessment consists of a series of visual puzzles involving sequencing and pattern recognition.

# Do the CAT (Non Verbal Reasoning Tests) assessments impact my daughter's chances of being allocated a place at NSG?

No, the result of the CAT (Non verbal reasoning) assessments will not impact your daughter's ability to be allocated a place at Northampton School for Girls.



## My daughter has SEN needs, will she be supported during the assessment?

Firstly, it is important that all parents/carers inform the school of their daughters SEN requirements via the supplementary information form so that reasonable adjustments can be made to support any students with SEN needs.

All students with SEN needs will receive additional support to ensure parity for all.

### When do I find out if I have been allocated a place at NSG?

The council will write to all parents/carers on the 1st March to inform them which school they have been allocated.

### I have not been allocated a place at NSG. How do I appeal the decision?

**All admission queries, including appeals**, are managed by the local authority. In the case of Northampton School for Girls this is done by the West Northamptonshire Council. Further information can be found <u>here</u>.

#### I have been allocated a place at NSG, what are the next steps?

Firstly, welcome to Northampton School for Girls!

Shortly after **1st March** the school will receive a list of all allocations, including parents/carers contact details. The school will write to all parents/carers each month with relevant details and events that will support them, and their daughter, in preparation for their transition into secondary school.

### Where can I find information regarding transition into Year 7?

You can find a wide range of information, information regarding the school, uniform, bus transport and more on your bespoke transition webpage, which can be found <a href="here">here</a>.