

# St Monica's R.C. High School



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Dear Parents/guardians,

Please see enclosed your child's report from the Cognitive Abilities Testing Fourth Edition (CAT4) assessment they recently undertook. As you are already aware, these tests are not something that could have been revised for. The tests are a diagnostic assessment that is designed to help students and their teachers understand how they learn and what their academic potential might be. It assesses how students think in areas that are known to make a difference to learning. While many tests focus on a child's attainment in core subjects, CAT4 is designed to give schools a much broader, more rounded view of each child, their potential and how they learn. Results help teachers decide about the pace of learning that is right for a student and whether additional support or challenge is needed. CAT4 may be used to set targets for your child.

Enclosed is a brief summary of your child's profile, illustrating the four main areas of learning (Verbal, Quantitative, Spatial and Non-Verbal), and what this means for your child. Within the summary notes is advice on how best your child learns, and strategies for aiding learning.

Please read the report overleaf with your child, making sure they understand the tips and advice given to aid their learning. You can help your child by taking a keen interest in/assisting with their homework, attending Parent's Evening (and other school events), and reading with them/encouraging them to read daily.

Yours faithfully,

A. Grant

SEN Support Manager