

Dear Parent/Carer

As a specialist Academy for Sport and Visual Arts, the Academy will admit up to 21 places on aptitude. Parents who wish to seek a place at the Academy for their child based on aptitude are asked to present their Year 5 child for an aptitude assessment at the end of June 2021.

I would stress that parents must also complete a Common Application Form from the local authority in which they live. Full details of our Admissions Policy are published on [the Academy's website](#) and in the [Going to Secondary School in Lincolnshire](#) online booklet.

### Assessment arrangements for September 2022 entry – Sport

#### Y5 Aptitude Assessment Dates – Sport

		<u>Drop off at Ruskin</u>	<u>Pick Up</u>
1 <sup>st</sup> Assessment date	Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> June 2021	3.50pm	5.45pm
2 <sup>nd</sup> Assessment date	Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup> June 2021	3.50pm	5.45pm
3 <sup>rd</sup> Assessment date	Wednesday 30 <sup>th</sup> June 2021	3.50pm	5.45pm

The aptitude places should be considered as an additional entry route for your child, and do not constitute an application for a place at the Academy. Applications for a place at the Academy must be made in the normal way, via Lincolnshire County Council's Common Application Form. Should you wish your child to be considered for an aptitude place, please complete the attached application form and return it to the Academy's Main Reception by Friday 18<sup>th</sup> June 2021.

- There is no preparation needed before the assessment. However, students will need to wear clothing appropriate for taking part in physical activities. This should be a plain kit (no local or national team or squad kit to be worn); they will also need to wear trainers with soles which will not mark the Sports Hall floor. They may also wish to bring a bottle of water with them, too. Please wear a face mask.
- Students will need to know their home address, home telephone number and the name of their current primary school. This may be written on a piece of paper and brought with them on the day.
- Should you or your child require special arrangements – eg for access or SEND – please provide details on the attached application form.
- If your child is injured (e.g. has a broken limb) or unwell, please inform the Academy as soon as possible. Arrangements can then be made for your child to take the assessment at a later date.
- **Please note:** we do not accept portfolios or references from coaches/teachers for the Sport assessment.

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## Assessment arrangements for 2022 entry – Visual Arts

### Y6 Aptitude Assessment Deadline – Visual Arts

All portfolios should be handed in to the Academy's Main Reception by Friday 25th June 2021.

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- If your child wishes to apply for a place with a Visual Arts specialism, they will be required to submit a portfolio of work which can include photographs, drawings, paintings or mixed media images. The portfolio may include images that have been produced at home or at school.
- Please complete the attached application form and return to the Academy, along with your child's art portfolio.
- The portfolio must be clearly labelled with the student's name, full address, telephone number and email address.
- The Visual Arts portfolios will be available for parents to collect from the Academy's main reception on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2021 and Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2021. Please phone the academy in advance to book a slot to collect your child's portfolio. **Please ensure you collect your child's portfolio on one of these dates. After these dates, it may be disposed of.**

### Sports Aptitude Covid Protocols

- If equipment needs to be touched by a student during a test, pupils will be asked to sanitise their hands before and after use, and shared equipment will be cleaned with sanitiser between use. However, the use of equipment is very minimal.
- We will endeavour to keep pupils 2 metres apart; markers will be placed on the floor for positions when waiting for a test to start.
- Pupils are required to bring water bottles as no snacks or drinks will be provided.
- Some tests will be completed outdoors, however, if the weather is poor, it may be necessary to reschedule the assessment. If for whatever reason the assessment has to be cancelled, a member of the Ruskin Administrative team will contact you.
- Pupils will be placed into groups of no more than 10. They will stay in these small groups from the point of arrival and will be informed to maintain 2 metre distance within groups.

### Arrival at the academy

- When parents arrive at the academy, they need to drop their child off near the bus stop (directly in front of you as you drive on to the site) and not go into the academy. A member of Ruskin staff will be there to welcome you. At this point, parents will be informed where to pick their child up from at 5.45pm. There will be two gates near the field for pick up (red and green) to make the departure quicker.
- Pupils need to wear a face mask when they enter the academy grounds.
- Pupils will be invited to enter the gate onto the field by a member of Ruskin staff and will be sent directly to their group. From here, pupils will move to the different tests as directed by a member of Ruskin staff.
- There will be a maximum of 60 students taking the test on each evening.

### Departure from the Academy

- Pupils will return to the field for departure, only to be released when parents present themselves at 5.45pm.

- Parents will need to go to the designated red or green gate where their child will be nearby to be excused.

### **Test and trace**

We will keep up-to-date records of the children attending the aptitude assessments for at least 21 days, including the schools they attend and the specific groups and members of staff they have been assigned to their group. We will gather all of this information from the application form.

### **Vulnerable, extremely vulnerable children and those with protected characteristics**

If your child is vulnerable, extremely vulnerable or has protected characteristics, please could you inform us about this and we will endeavour to make appropriate adjustments.

### **Corona symptoms**

If your child is displaying Covid-19 symptoms, please do not bring your child on to the academy site. Please phone the academy to inform us about your child's absence and if possible, we will arrange an alternative assessment date.

We look forward to receiving your application and to seeing those parents who choose to bring their children for assessment.

Yours sincerely



Ms R Wyles  
Headteacher

### **APTITUDE ASSESSMENT FORM FOR SPORT**

Name of Child \_\_\_\_\_

Child's date of birth \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Parent/Carer \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

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Postcode \_\_\_\_\_

Home Tel No \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile Tel No \_\_\_\_\_

Current Primary School \_\_\_\_\_

Special arrangements/support (please provide details of special consideration for the assessment)

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#### **Preferred date for assessment**

***Please tick the appropriate box***

1<sup>st</sup> Assessment date      Monday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2021      3.50pm ☐

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I will drop my child off at 3.50pm and collect them at 5.45pm ☐

Please return this form to the Academy's Main Reception by Friday 18<sup>th</sup> June 2021.

**Please note that this application for an aptitude assessment is *not* an application for a place at The Priory Ruskin Academy. You must also complete the Common Application Form, from the Local Authority in which you live, and submit it to the local authority by 31<sup>st</sup> October 2021.**

**APTITUDE ASSESSMENT FORM FOR VISUAL ARTS**

Name of Child \_\_\_\_\_

Child's date of birth \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Parent/Carer \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

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Postcode \_\_\_\_\_

Home Tel No \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile Tel No \_\_\_\_\_

Current Primary School \_\_\_\_\_

Special arrangements/support (please provide details of  
special consideration for the assessment)

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**The Academy will receive my child's Visual Arts portfolio by Friday 25th June 2021** ☐

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