



St. Anselm's College

# Entrance Examination Policy 2026-2027

## **Our Mission Statement**

*"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me"*  
Philippians 4:13

At St. Anselm's College, faith is at the heart of all we do. Inspired by the Gospel and the vision of Blessed Edmund Rice, we educate the whole person through academic challenge and moral formation, fostering a heart for service and respect for all God's creation.

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### Year 6/7 Transition

All students are required to sit an Entrance Examination in order to achieve a place at the College. Students must achieve the pass mark in 2 papers.

The admissions number for Year 7 is **156**

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| The examination consists of: |                  |
| Mathematics paper            | Pass Mark of 55% |
| English paper                | Pass Mark of 55% |
| Verbal Reasoning paper       | Pass Mark of 118 |

Places are allocated according to the published criteria in the College Admissions Policy.

### In-year transfer

Students who wish to transfer to the College at any time other than during the Year 6/7 transition period are also required to sit an examination and achieve the required standard in all papers.

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| During Year 7  | Students will sit the Entrance Examination, a pass mark of <b>75%</b> in Maths and English is required with a VR pass mark of 118.<br>Final half term: Year 7 papers in English, Maths and Science and must achieve a Securing Grade. |
| During Year 8  | Maths, English and Science and must achieve a Securing Grade.<br>Final half term; Year 8 papers in English, Maths and Science. Securing Grade.  |
| During Year 9  | Maths, English and Science Securing Grade.<br>Final half term; Year 9 papers in English, Maths and Science. Securing Grade.   |
| During Year 10 | Term 1 Maths, English and Science papers. Securing Grade Year 9.  |
|                | Term 2 Maths, English and Science papers. Mastering Grade Year 9.   |
|                | Term 3 GCSE Grade 5 in Year 10 GCSE papers in Maths, English and Science.   |

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| During Year 11 | The College does not recommend the transfer of students in Year 11. Any exception to this is at the discretion of the Headteacher. |
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For any students who are unwell on the day of the exam and are unable to attend, the College must be informed by telephone by 8.00am and an alternative date will be arranged, provided a medical certificate is produced.

Students can only be admitted if there are places available in the relevant year group. If no places are available they would go on a waiting list for 12 months.

When they are more students who have reached the required standard than there are places available the College Admissions Policy / over subscription criteria will be applied.

If a student is unsuccessful they can re-sit an exam the following academic year (12 months after the exam).