



## **DISTANCE TESTING FOR SECTION INTERNATIONALE**

We are conscious that it is not always possible for families to return to France for testing. Distance testing can be arranged, although we would like to emphasise that we do prefer to see the children in person. For older children (college and lycée), written tests can be done at a distance and the orals in France.

As far as primary levels are concerned, we do NOT distance-test GS, CP or CE1 candidates. The integrated levels (CE2, CM1, CM2) are done exceptionally and we strongly encourage families to bring the children to France where we can organise individual testing if unavailable for the official tests. The children are very young and they are not always able to show their full potential during the distance testing, be it written or oral. Testing for primary levels will also take place in June and September so if you are unable to return beforehand, we suggest you wait until then.

### **How does distance-testing work?**

Once we have informed you that we would like to proceed with distance-testing, there are a certain number of steps to follow:

- You will be required to give the name, position and email address of a person within the child's current school, who is willing to invigilate the test. Ideally the person chosen is non-teaching staff. We prefer this person to NOT be the child's English teacher.
- The family fix the testing date with the invigilator, depending on their availability and the child's timetable. This date is communicated to *Section Internationale*.
- The written test is sent a couple of days before by email, in order to allow for technical hitches.
- The student sits the test(s) and his/her answers are scanned and sent back to *Section Internationale* for marking as soon as possible after the test.
- If the marks for the written test are satisfactory, the *Section Internationale* will organise an oral assessment by Skype directly with the family. This may also be organised in France to coincide with a visit. We request that families are flexible with timing as our teachers do the Skype tests in their own time and have to take time differences into account.
- The presence of the parents or older siblings is not allowed during the oral assessment. No help is to be given before or during the assessment.
- You will be informed of the results as quickly as possible; you do not need to contact us to have the results.



## French and Maths Tests

Children requesting entry into one of our schools for the integrated programmes are required to show a satisfactory level of French and Maths.

- For children in AEFE schools (in France or abroad), previous and current year school reports are to be supplied (primary, college, lycée).
- For children currently attending schools in France which are “hors contrat” (such as Montessori), please contact the local public college which organises these tests in May. Please be aware that the deadline for registration is usually towards the end of March or beginning of April. You may visit the official website of l’Académie de Versailles (or your *département*) for further details.
- For children currently attending schools abroad, which are not affiliated with the French Ministry of Education (AEFE), we accept full CNED (or equivalent) reports OR the children will need to sit an entrance exam in French and Maths (primary, college, lycée):
  - For primary-aged children attending the official testing dates, these tests can be sat at the same time.
  - For college and lycée children, these tests are organised as distance-testing.

It is important to note that the head of the school requested has the final say on the admissibility of the child as our students are first and foremost pupils of the French school.

Primary	Pasteur Primary School compiles the tests, which are then certified by the Académie de Versailles. They allow entry into Pasteur Primary <u>ONLY</u> .
College	The tests are compiled by the Collège de la Quintinye & Collège Pasteur and allow entry into these two colleges <u>ONLY</u> .
Lycée	Students will sit the Lycée Corneille tests, which are marked by teachers of the Lycée and allow entry into Lycée Corneille <u>ONLY</u> .

The procedure for the French and Maths distance testing is identical to the English entrance exam. There are no oral assessments.

**These tests are only organised if the child is admissible for Section Internationale.**