

SHARED SECOND STAGE ENTRANCE EXAM (FOR SEPTEMBER 2026 ENTRY)

IMPORTANT GUIDANCE ON WHAT YOU SHOULD DO IF YOU THINK YOUR CHILD IS NOT FIT, WHETHER FOR MEDICAL OR OTHER REASONS, TO SIT THE SECOND STAGE ENTRANCE EXAM ON SATURDAY 4 OCTOBER 2025

When a child says they are not feeling well, it is sometimes difficult for a parent to decide what to do. Is it just nerves or are they really sick?

It is important that your child is given the opportunity to do their very best in the Entrance Examination. This is not possible if they are not 'fit' to sit the test on the day. Not being fit means that your child's condition or well-being on the day of the test (other than suffering from normal and expected levels of nerves) is such that their performance during the test may be impaired.

If your child has experienced a recent traumatic incident, for example a bereavement, you may consider that they are not in a fit state to do the test. Should this be the case, please follow the instructions below and explain the circumstances. Evidence will be required.

If you believe your child is not fit to take the test on SATURDAY 4 OCTOBER 2025, you must follow the instructions below:

- Email the SET Administrator **before the start of the test session** on Saturday 4 October at set2026entry@suttongrammar.school
- You **must** put UNFIT TO SIT in the subject heading
- Your email must contain your child's candidate number, your child's full name and date of birth.
- Your email must contain a brief description as to why your child is unfit to attend the test on the day.
- Evidence (such as a medical note/doctor certificate) must then be sent to set2026entry@suttongrammar.school by **Wednesday 8th October 2025**. If you do not provide such evidence your child will not be invited to sit the test at a later date.

DO NOT BRING your child to the test if you believe that they are unfit to sit the test for whatever reason. It is important that you consider this carefully because if your child attends on test day but is unable to complete the tests (i.e. stops part way through a paper and is unable to continue) or does not perform to the best of their ability, it will not be possible to offer a chance to re-sit on another occasion.