

**Megan Bozios** Principal

ORADELL PUBLIC SCHOOL Office of Special Services 350 Prospect Avenue Oradell, New Jersey 07649 "Our children, our hope, our future"

April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2015

Dear Parents(s) and/or Guardian(s) of Second and Fourth Grade Students,

Students in grades two and four will be administered the <u>*Cognitive Abilities Test (CogAT)*</u> starting April 14<sup>th</sup>. The purpose of the CogAT is to assess students' abilities in reasoning and problem solving using verbal, quantitative and spatial (nonverbal) symbols.

Please be advised that all testing will occur in the morning so as to create a uniform testing environment in the school. The test schedule will be as follows:

GRADE	DATE	CogAT Subtests
$2^{nd}$	Thursday April 16 <sup>th</sup>	Oral Vocabulary, Verbal Reasoning, Relational Concepts
$2^{nd}$	Friday April 17 <sup>th</sup>	Quantitative Concepts, Figure Classification, Matrices

GRADE	DATE	CogAT Subtests
4 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday April 14 <sup>th</sup>	Oral Vocabulary, Verbal Reasoning, Relational Concepts
4 <sup>th</sup>	Wednesday April 15 <sup>th</sup>	Quantitative Concepts, Figure Classification, Matrices

Every effort will be made to ensure that the testing process is as comfortable as possible for the students.

You can prepare your child for taking standardized tests in days just before the test and on the test day itself. Make sure your child gets a good night's sleep during the testing period. A good breakfast is important on the testing days as well.

Please ensure that your child arrives at school on time to create a consistent testing environment. Make-ups will be held the following week for any child who misses any part of the test.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call the school. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Megan Bozios Principal Brian Mistretta Supervisor of Special Services

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