



February 4th, 2019

Dear Parent/Caregiver

Over the past several years Northmead Creative and Performing Arts High School has been implementing a Gifted and Talented Academic Program, the entry to which has become extremely competitive.

Selection into this academic program is based on an entrance examination. This year, for the 2020 placement, we will be conducting a Higher Ability Selection Test (HAST).

Testing will occur on **Tuesday March 26th**, **2019** from 9.00am to 1.00pm at Northmead Creative and Performing Arts High School in the school hall . There will be four (4) tests which will include:

- Reading Comprehension
- Written Expression
- Mathematical Reasoning
- Abstract Reasoning

There will be a short break between tests.

Candidates who arrive late for the first test will be admitted only at the discretion of the supervisor, and additional time will not be allowed.

Please note that this program is for selection to the academic program, rather than the Creative and Performing Arts stream. However, the two streams are not necessarily mutually exclusive. The cost to parents for this examination is \$75.00 payable on application (non-refundable).

Notification will only occur if your child is successful in gaining placement in the GAT program.

Payment for the test can be made on line via the school website: northmead-h.schools.nsw.gov.au under the 'make a payment' tab noting payment type as "other" and description as 'HAST Test'. Alternately payments can be made at the school front office between 8.00 AM & 2.45 PM.

Yours faithfully

N Vazquez

Principal

A Bottrill

Gifted and Talented Co-Ordinator





GIFTED AND TALENTED PROGRAM HIGHER ABILITY SELECTION TEST

(PLEASE NOTE THIS TEST IS FOR ADMISSION TO THE GIFTED AND TALENTED ACADEMIC STREAM)

TUESDAY 26TH MARCH 2019

To register your child to sit the HAST requires three steps:

1. Register your interest by completing the form using the link below:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1doE8NL2chpJHzV5hK0 gwF8hPhQ4OrgRMggo9TIEuA/edit

This link can also be found on the school website.

2. School Report

A copy of the students' most recent school report will need to be supplied to the HAST Coordinator, Mrs Burt.

Clearly marked copies of the school report can be forwarded to the Mrs Burt by mail, email or dropped in to the front office in person.

3. Payment - \$75.00.

Payment of \$75.00 for the test can be made online via the school website: https://northmead-h.schools.nsw.gov.au/

Payments, completed forms and school reports must be received at the school no later than <u>Tuesday March 6th</u>, <u>2019</u> to be eligible to sit the test.

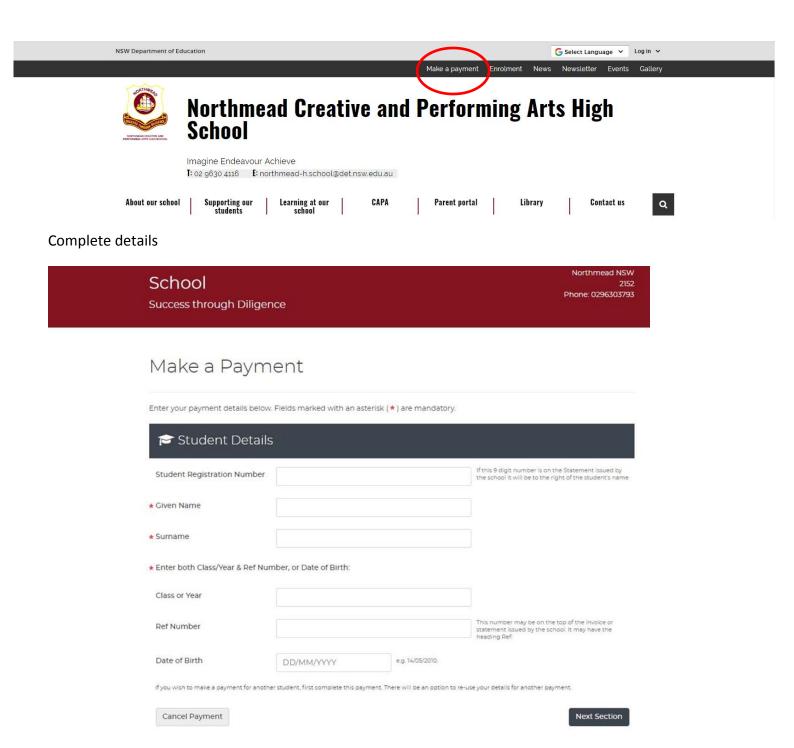
To make a payment, please refer to the instructions attached below:





How to make a payment

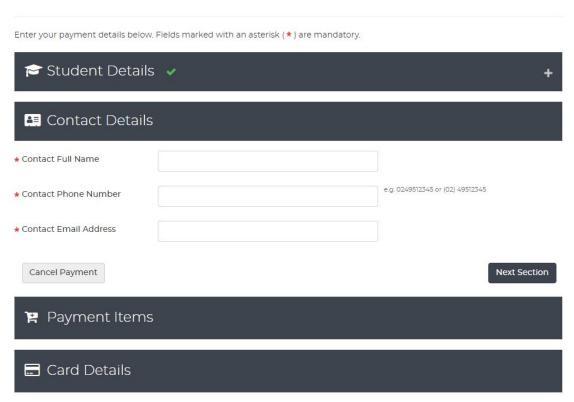
On the Northmead CAPA HS website home page, click on 'Make a payment'.



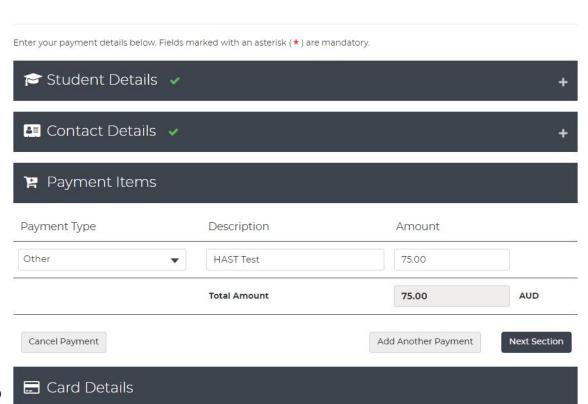


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Make a Payment



For Payment Type, use 'Other'. For Description put HAST test. The cost of the HAST is \$75.00.





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Enter Credit Card details. Proceed to Confirmation and print out your receipt.

