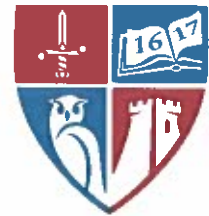


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4th November 2020

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Dear Mr Kelpie

First, please accept my apologies for the tardiness of my response to your letters. I thought I had responded to the letter from August and was then in self-isolation when your second arrived at school which was followed by the extended half-term.

The Board of Governors of Foyle College have given careful consideration to the question of whether to proceed with the AQE Common Entrance Assessment for the current academic year. Having discussed the matter, the Board were in unanimous in their agreement that the use of academic selection continues to represent the fairest, and most equitable, method of allocating the available places which are heavily oversubscribed.

Yours sincerely