Dear Applicants to Department of Astronomical Science, Sokendai,

In the light of the current situation of the covid-19 pandemic, it has been decided that the entrance exams on Monday the 23rd of August are to be conducted online. There is no other major change, but the timeline of the day may be modified slightly.

We are planning a dry run to avoid nasty surprises on the exam day. More details, and the schedule will be sent to you later. Please do not forget to check your email regularly.

There are two things we would like you to start today:

1)Install zoom (if you have not yet) to two devices (with camera, microphone and speaker) you would use for the exam, and learn how to 'share screen'.

2)Learn to scan (or take photos of) a few sheets of documents and put them together to a single PDF file, using a software such as Book (iOS), Adobe Scan, etc.

If you have questions, please let us know, though there are questions we cannot answer at this time.

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