

13 December 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

**Consultation on Proposed Changes to School Admissions Criteria for 2026/2027**

As you will be aware, St Thomas of Canterbury Catholic Primary School became part of the Kent Catholic Schools' Partnership ('the Trust') in October 2024. The Trust has common admission arrangements in place across all its primary and secondary schools and we are now consulting on proposed changes to the admissions policy to take effect for school admissions for September 2026 onwards.

Having common admission arrangements across Trust schools simplifies the process for parents and carers, ensuring the process is as fair as possible whilst preserving the catholic character of our schools and ensuring catholic children have priority in the offering of places.

You can find information about the proposed changes at the following link:

<https://www.kcsp.org.uk/admissions-consultation-for-202627/> or on the school website.

The consultation period will run between 13 December 2024 and 24 January 2025 and you are invited to submit comments in writing about the proposal to: [office@kcsp.org.uk](mailto:office@kcsp.org.uk).

If you do not have access to email you can write to: Rachel Bushell, Barham Court, Teston, Maidstone, Kent ME18 5BZ.

Yours sincerely,



Caroline Stockmann, Chair of the KCSP Board



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