

Welcome to  
Upton Junior School

Admission to Secondary  
School in Kent 2017

12<sup>th</sup> September 2016 - Mrs Blunden

# Let's celebrate

- Eventually all children were given a place they were happy with - more of that later!!

# Important dates for this year

- The SCAF must be submitted by **31st October 2016**
- Secondary schools will be holding open days from now onwards - you have their criteria online
- For 8th year you can complete it after you receive the results of PESE test
- PESE Results posted 13.10.16 - 4pm on line
- Parent consultations the following week

# How to complete the SCAF

- On line - [www.kent.gov.uk/ola](http://www.kent.gov.uk/ola)
- Benefits of this:
- You put the information into the system
- You can see the school offered after 4pm on **1<sup>st</sup> March 2016** the day before the letters are received (so long as you provide an email address )
- You will still receive a hard copy by post
- We will open the school for people with no access to internet from now onwards, just ask at the office so we can ensure someone is available to help if needed

# Completing the SCAF continued

- Upton will not receive any blank paper SCAFs - no pre-printed details this year
- Can start completing it now and amend as necessary but remember to submit it!

# School choices

- 4 choices
- Put in order of preference - if 2 schools can offer a place school highest on list will be offered
- If not successful in Kent assessment test can still put 2 grammars anywhere on the form - this gives you the right to appeal for admission to an Independent Panel (Parental appeals)

# School choices - cont'd

- Must look at school's admissions criteria if unsure of which to put and what needs to be included (Church Schools).
- If you are unsure if you are within the correct distance from a secondary school - look at the over subscription criteria.

# St George's

- IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT PARENTS COMPLETE THE SCHOOL'S OWN SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION FORMS IF THEY WISH THEIR CHILD TO BE CONSIDERED BY ST. GEORGE'S COFE FOUNDATION SCHOOL. THESE FORMS CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE SCHOOL AND MUST BE RETURNED TO THE SCHOOL NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, 4TH NOVEMBER 2016 FOR SECONDARY APPLICATIONS



# Offers of secondary places

- After 4pm **1st March** for parents who applied on line, school open to access internet if needed
- All will receive offer letter **2<sup>nd</sup> March**
- **16th March** parents must let schools know if accepting place or not
- Details about appeals included with this letter

# Waiting lists

- If you want your child's name put on the waiting list for any school you named on the SCAF but were not offered, you should let Kent County Council know by **16<sup>th</sup> March 2017**.
- Do check with the school you meet their admissions criteria.

**28 April 2017** Any vacant places will be reallocated by Kent County Council, using the schools' waiting lists.

# Appeals

- Head teacher's appeals take place before you receive your child's results
- Parental Appeals are appealing against the allocation of secondary school **NOT** the result of the assessment and take place in March after the offer of secondary school places have been made
- **BUT DON'T WORRY NOW!!!** We will help you if and when this happens.

# Appeals continued

- 29 March 2017
- If you want to appeal for a place at any school you named on the SCAF but were not offered, you should do so by this date.

# Appeals continued

- After **28 April 2017** you can also apply for a place at a school you didn't name on your original SCAF by contacting the school directly. Your application will be considered and, if the school still has room, it can offer you a place. If it is full it will turn down your application, but will explain how you can appeal and how you can add your child's name to the waiting list in case a place becomes available.

# I need help!!!

- Do come into school if you are unsure about anything on the form or with regard to the appeals process.
- Parent consultations will take place after you get the results so we can chat then.
- Help line 0300041 21 21

# In summary

- Most know type of school before completing form
- 31<sup>st</sup> October 2016 is closing date
- let us know you have completed the form so we can check every child has selected 2ary schools
- School computers are available if not have internet access
- Come and ask if you are unsure
- Kent.gov.uk then search secondary school places to find out more information