

Schools are required by law to make clear the criteria by which new pupils will be admitted. The arrangements for King Ethelbert School are summarised below.

ADMISSION INTO YEAR 7 AT THE BEGINNING OF THE SCHOOL YEAR:

King Ethelbert School has a Published Admission Number (PAN) of 150 pupils in Year 7 for September 2017

Headteacher: Kate Greig

Admissions Contact: Vicky Willis, Deputy Headteacher

Type of school: Academy, High, Mixed

Age Range: 11-18

Open Events for Year 6:

Tuesday 20th September : 6.00 – 8.00 pm

Wednesday 21st September: 9.30 – 11.00 am

Wednesday 21st September: 4.00 – 6.00 pm

Number of places allocated March 2016: **160**

Oversubscription Criteria

Where applications for admission exceed the number of places available, the following criteria will be applied, in the order set out below, to decide which children to admit. After the admission of students with statements of Special Educational Needs Education, Health and Care Plan where the school is named on the statement, the criteria will be applied in the order of priority as shown below to assist in the decision making process.

1) Children who are presently or were previously in Local Authority Care

A child under the age of 18 years for whom the local authority provides accommodation by agreement with their parents/carers (Section 22 of the Children Act 1989) or who is the subject of a care order under Part IV of the Act. This applies equally to children who immediately after being looked after by the local authority became subject to an adoption, residence or special guardianship order. (As defined by Section 46 of the Adoption and Children Act 2002 or Section 8 or 14A of the Children Act 1989)

2) Where a child has a brother or sister attending this school at the time of entry

In this context brother or sister means children who live as brother or sister in the same house, including natural brothers or sisters, adopted siblings, stepbrothers or sisters and foster brothers or sisters.

3) Our priority admission area is the postcode areas of CT7, CT8 and CT9 5 which include Birchington, St Nicholas, Acol, Sarre, Garlinge and Westgate.

In the event that criterion (c) is oversubscribed pupils falling into the relevant postcode areas will be ranked in accordance to distance as described in criterion (d).

4) Nearness of the home to the school (as defined by the Local Authority) and ease of access to the school.

The school uses the distance between the child's permanent home address and the school, measured in a straight line using Ordnance Survey address point data. Distances are measured from a point defined as within the child's home to a point defined as within the school as specified by Ordnance Survey. The same address point on the school site is used for everybody.

Supplementary Form Required: No

Waiting lists – will be maintained up to January 2018

In Year Admissions

Admissions for all other year groups will be dealt with in accordance with this policy.

Appeals

If you are not offered a place at our school you have the right to appeal to an independent panel. If you wish to appeal, please write to the Chair of Governors c/o King Ethelbert School at the address above. King Ethelbert School will administer admissions arrangements in line with the Coordinated Admissions Scheme for Kent. Parents should familiarise themselves with the Admission to Secondary School in Kent booklet which will outline the key dates by which applications must be returned.

Admission to King Ethelbert School Sixth Form for the International Baccalaureate Career-related Programme (IBCP)

Priority will be given to existing pupils transferring from Year 11 who meet the entrance criteria. Admission to the IBCP will be as a result of applicants obtaining a minimum of five GCSE passes at grade C or above, including in Maths and English and a B grade or Merit in the subject to be taken in the L3 careers related study.

The overall admission number for Year 12 is 50.

Oversubscription Criteria

Following admission of internal students transferring from Year 11, all remaining places will be allocated to learners who have met the entry requirements for the particular course of study. Where there are more learners seeking places than the number of places available, the following oversubscription criteria will be applied in the order set out below to rank students until the overall figure for the year group is reached:

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After a place has been offered the school reserves the right to withdraw the place in the following circumstances:

- a) When the parent or learner has failed to respond to an offer within a reasonable time; or
- b) When a parent or learner has failed to notify the school of important changes to the application information; or
- c) The admission authority offered the place on the basis of a fraudulent or intentionally misleading application from the parent or learner.

Offers and Appeals

Offers will be made on the basis of predicted performance at GCSE, with the requirement that the above grades are achieved in the final examinations prior to entry to the Sixth Form to study the IBCP and the student's chosen subjects being accommodated on the timetable, in feasible group sizes.

All offers made during Year 11 are conditional on students meeting the grade criteria specified and will only become firm offers upon confirmation of actual GCSE results. Offer letters will be made before the end of May 2017. Offers will be confirmed once the school has been notified of GCSE results in August 2017.

Parents have a statutory right of appeal, should an application for a place be refused, by writing to the Clerk to the Governors, care of the school.

Late applications will be considered if places in appropriate subjects are still available after all other applicants have been considered.

Waiting lists – a waiting list will be held, ranked according to the over-subscription criteria and will be maintained up to January 2018