

Joint Statement from West Kent Secondary School Headteachers

Open Events

Following discussion, the Headteachers of West Kent Secondary Schools (listed below) have collectively taken the decision that for the foreseeable future all “Open Events” for transition to secondary school in year 7 and for transition to the Sixth Form across our schools will be hosted online, not on our school premises.

Whilst we all recognise the value of “Open Events” in enabling students and parents to find out more about the educational provision offered at our schools, our priority during this current public health crisis is to ensure the safety of our schools and the wider community. Open Events in our schools are popular and inevitably bring parents and children from a wide area into relatively close proximity which increases the risk of community transmission.

As a group of schools we are committed to ensuring we offer an online experience that supports all families to make informed decisions on school transfer. Each school will, of course, plan their online open events to take account of their specific context. Parents are encouraged to check the websites of our individual schools for further information.

Signed:

Cranbrook School <https://www.cranbrookschool.co.uk/admissions/open-events/>

Hadlow Rural Community School <https://www.hrcschool.org/>

Hayesbrook School <https://www.hayesbrook.kent.sch.uk/openevents>

High Weald Academy <https://www.highwealdacademy.kent.sch.uk/openevents>

Hillview School <https://www.hillview.kent.sch.uk/events/open-day/>

Hugh Christie School <https://www.hughchristie.kent.sch.uk/online-open-evening>

Knole Academy <https://www.knoleacademy.org/463/open-events-2020-1>

Mascalls Academy <https://stage.mascallsacademy.org.uk/>

Skidders' Kent Academy <https://www.skidderskentacademy.org.uk/admissions.html>

St Gregorys Catholic School <http://www.sgschool.org.uk/open-sessions-2020/1234.html>

The Judd School <https://www.judd.online/page/?title=2021+Admission+Arrangements&pid=177>

The Skidders School <https://www.skidders-school.co.uk/admissions/open-days/>

Tonbridge Grammar School <https://www.tgs.kent.sch.uk/open-events>

Trinity School Sevenoaks <https://www.trinitysevenoaks.org.uk/660/open-events-2020-21>

Tunbridge Wells Girls' Grammar School <https://www.twggs.kent.sch.uk/548/open-days-and-evenings>

Tunbridge Wells Grammar School for Boys <https://www.twgsb.org.uk/2093/open-events>

Weald of Kent Grammar School <https://www.wealdofkent.kent.sch.uk/>