



FPTA Academies

The Thomas Aveling School

An Academy for Success



6th November 2017

Dear Parent/Carers

Admissions Policy 2019 onwards – Consultation

The Governing Body of The Thomas Aveling School is proposing a change to the over subscription criteria of the Admissions Policy from 2019, which will apply to Year 7 students due to start in September 2019 and subsequent academic years.

A copy of the draft policy is attached and is available on the governor section of the academy website with the suggested changes highlighted in yellow. The consultation is taking place for a period of six weeks between **Monday 6th November** and **Sunday 17th December 2017**.

The main aims of admission to The Thomas Aveling School is to maintain the character of the school as a co-educational non-selective school, providing for the needs of young persons within the 11-18 age range. In addition, we aim to ensure that students who have been educated within the FPTA Academies Trust, having a particular ethos, have a greater chance of continuing their education within this Trust.

In view of the above, there has been one addition to the over subscription criteria, which has been placed before the final criteria of distance, worded as follows:

Any student who has attended an FPTA Academies Trust school continuously from the start of Year 5.

The consultation is being communicated by The Thomas Aveling School to the following parties:

- Medway Council
- Kent County Council
- All parents and carers of the academy (directly via email)
- All parents and carers of the academy via website and Facebook
- Headteachers/Principals of all Medway schools
- Chair of governors of all Medway schools
- Registered early years providers within Medway

Recipients are welcomed to respond by emailing comments relating to the proposed admission arrangements above to **consultation@thomasaveling.co.uk**. A Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) document has been posted on the Academy website. The purpose of the consultation will be to receive feedback on the proposed changes, and for the responses to then be collated and presented to the Governing Body for full consideration.

On conclusion of the consultation, on Monday 18th December 2017 all responses received will be collated and presented to the Governing Body on **Monday 22nd January 2018** for full consideration. The outcome of the consultation will then be posted on the academy's website by **Friday 26th January 2018**.

Yours sincerely

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