

# Gravesend Grammar School

## ADMISSION ARRANGEMENTS for ENTRY September 2020



These are the published admissions arrangements for year 7 entry into Gravesend Grammar School in September 2020. In accordance with mandatory provisions of the School Admissions Code, these arrangements may not be varied except in circumstances identified in paragraph 3.6 of the Code.

### **ADMISSION:**

The Planned Admission Number (PAN) for entry in September 2020 is 174. Entry to Gravesend Grammar School is through the Kent Assessment Procedure. Boys deemed selective as a result of this are eligible for admission.

### **OVER-SUBSCRIPTION:**

Before the application of the over-subscription criteria, eligible children with a Statement of Special Educational Need (SEN) or a Health and Care Plan (EHCP) that name the school will be admitted. As a result, the PAN will be reduced accordingly.

Where the number of boys seeking admission who have attained the required standard exceeds the number of places available, the following criteria will be applied in the order in which they are set out.

1. Boys in Local Authority Care or Previously in Local Authority – a 'looked after child' or a child who was previously looked after but immediately after being looked after became subject to an adoption, child arrangements, or special guardianship order. A looked after child is a child who is (a) in the care of a local authority, or (b) being provided with accommodation by a local authority in the exercise of their social services functions (see the definition in Section 22(1) of the Children Act 1989).
2. Medical health, social and special access reasons will be applied in accordance with the School's legal obligations, in particular those under the Equality Act 2010. Priority will be given to those eligible boys whose mental or physical impairment means they have a demonstrable and significant need to attend a particular school. Equally this priority will apply to boys whose parents'/guardians' mental or physical health or social needs mean they have a demonstrable and significant need to attend a particular school. Such claims will need to be supported by written evidence from a suitably qualified medical or other practitioner who can demonstrate a special connection between these needs and the School.
3. Eligible boys who have a sibling who will be attending the School when the applicant joins. In this context, sibling refers to children who live as brother or sister in the same house, including natural brothers or sisters, adopted siblings, stepbrothers or sisters and foster brothers and sisters.

4. Eligible boys who have a parent who is a member of staff at the school provided they have been employed for a minimum of two years and/or are recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skills shortage.
5. Eligible boys who live within the borough of Gravesham.
6. Eligible boys who live within the civil parishes of Ash cum Ridley, Bean, Fawkham, Hartley, Longfield, New Barn, Southfleet, Stansted and Swanscombe and Greenhithe (Galley Hill and Swanscombe wards).
7. All other eligible boys.

NB: Children will be ranked within each over-subscription criterion with priority afforded primarily to those in receipt of **Pupil Premium** and then according to the nearness of the child's home to the School.

#### Pupil Premium

A child is eligible for Pupil Premium where they have been registered for free school meals (FSM) at any point in the last 6 years. This does not include boys who have only been eligible to receive Universal Infant Free School Meals. Pupil Premium is also afforded to Children in Local Authority Care or Previously in Local Authority Care, however, these children will be prioritised in the relevant criteria above. Parents wishing to apply under this priority must ensure they complete the attached Supplementary Information Form and return it to the school by 31 October in the year of application. Parents must also complete an application (via online or paper Secondary Common Application Form) naming the school, otherwise their child cannot be considered for a place.

#### Distance

Children will be ranked within each over-subscription criterion according to the nearness of the child's home to the School. Places will be offered to the highest placed one hundred and seventy-four boys on the ranked list. In the event more than one applicant has the same distance, a random selection will be applied. We use the distance between the child's permanent home address and the school measured in a straight line using the National Land and Property Gazetteer (NLPG) 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 NLPG. The same address point on the school site is used for everybody.

#### Supplementary Form

A supplementary form, other than for children eligible for Pupil Premium, is not required by the School.

#### Qualifying Regions

The attached map showing Gravesham (green) and the local parishes (blue) listed in the over-subscription criteria is also available on request from the School or at [www.gravesendgrammar.com](http://www.gravesendgrammar.com).

**NB: Changes to parish boundaries in Dartford effective May 2019 mean that the wards Galley Hill and Swanscombe no longer exist. For entry 2020, the school will continue, for the purposes of prioritising places, to use the boundaries as they were.**

#### Waiting List and Appeals

Parents and carers of eligible children who have not secured a place may request their child be added to the School's waiting list which will be ranked in line with the published oversubscription criteria, and re-ranked

every time a child is added. Parents and carers have the right to appeal a decision not to admit their child to the School.

### Children Outside Normal Age of Admission

Applications for a child whose actual age places them in a year group either above or below year 7 will not normally be considered. Where there exist exceptional circumstances, requests for admission outside the normal age group should be made to the Headteacher as early as possible before the child's expected start date. There is no requirement to provide evidence, but evidence provided may support a decision. Any evidence must be specific to the child in question. If the request for admission outside the expected year is agreed, a paper SCAF must be submitted to the LA with copies of the written agreement from the school.

## **6<sup>TH</sup> FORM ADMISSIONS FOR SEPT 2020**

The academic condition for entry into 6<sup>th</sup> form for September 2020 is:

- A minimum of 2 Level 5 and 4 Level 6 grades at GCSE.
- The above must include a minimum of a Level 5 in English and Maths

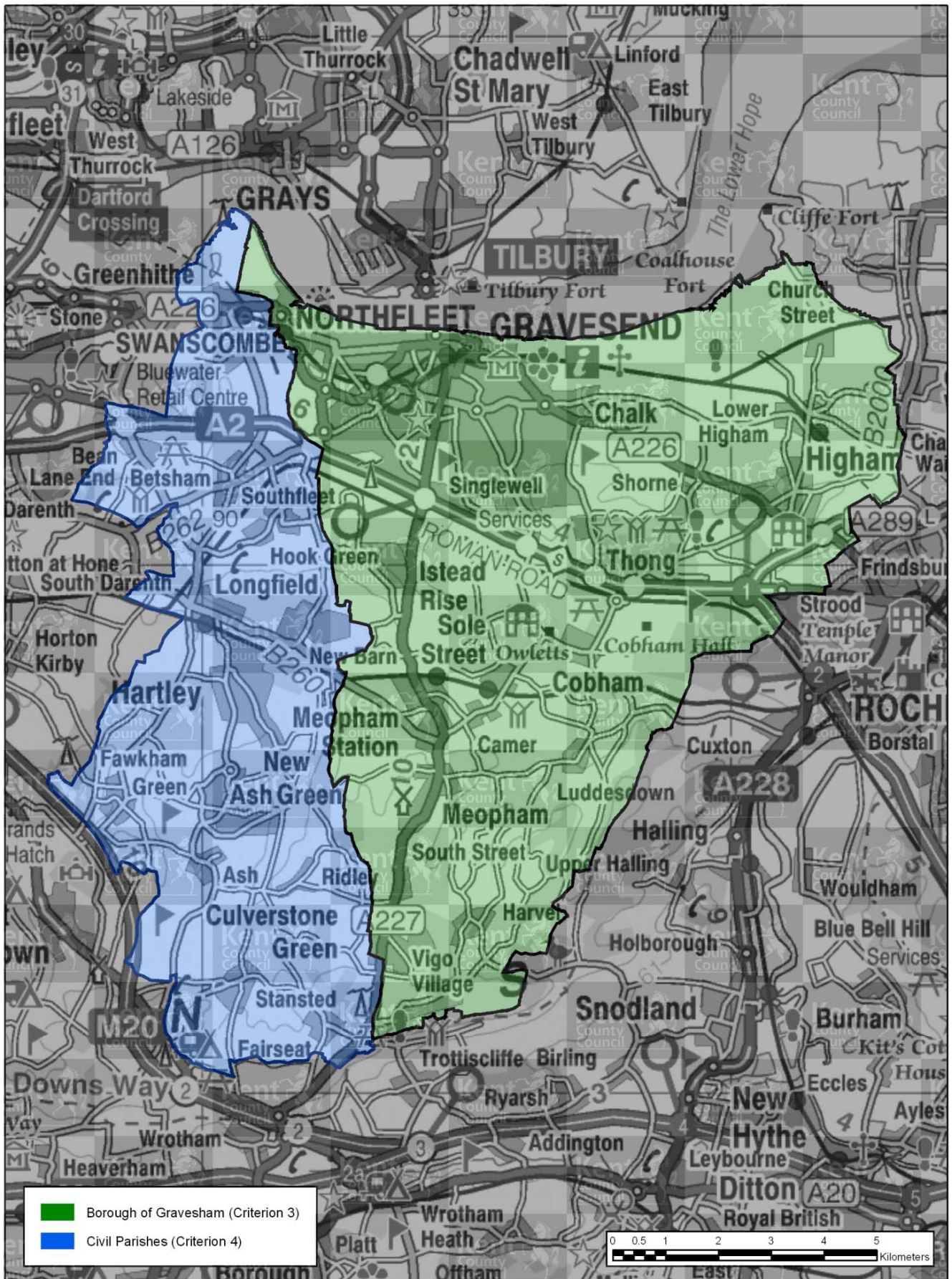
The Admission number for students joining Gravesend Grammar for the first time at age 16+ (or into Year 12) is 30. This figure may be exceeded in the event that the number of existing boys in Year 11 transferring into Year 12 is less than 150. The total number of students in Year 12 should not be more than 180.

For students joining the school at 16 the following oversubscription criteria will apply in the event of external applications taking the number over 180.

- Eligible students in Local Authority care (see main school criteria)
- Eligible students who have a brother or a sister who will be attending the school when the applicant joins. In this context, sibling refers to children who live as brother or sister in the same house, including natural brothers or sisters, adopted siblings, stepbrothers or sisters and foster brothers and sisters.
- Students with the best aggregate GCSE scores in their best 6 subjects including English and Maths.
- If the aggregate scores are the same in their best six subjects, then distance from school (as in the main school criteria) will be the tie breaker.

Students who do better than they are predicted to do may re-apply after results day if they meet the sixth form entrance requirements. Applications after results can be made by contacting the school for an application form. Students will only be made an offer if there is space available in the subjects they wish to study. If there are multiple additional applications the oversubscription criteria may apply if the sixth form has reached 180 students.

Parents have the right to appeal a decision not to admit their child to the School. They should write to the Clerk to the Governors at the School indicating the grounds on which they wish to base their appeal.



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**GRAVESEND GRAMMAR SCHOOL**  
**SUPPLEMENTARY FORM FOR PUPIL PREMIUM INFORMATION**  
 This form is to be completed **only** by parents and carers of children who are eligible for  
 Pupil Premium



To assist us in ensuring that places are awarded correctly in accordance with our over-subscription criteria, please complete this form **ONLY** if your child is eligible for Pupil Premium. Please provide any evidence you have to support this claim.

For further information on what evidence is required please contact the school.

Please remember to also fill in a Secondary Common Application form either online or by paper SCAF and return to Kent County Council.

**CHILD'S DETAILS**

FORENAME

SURNAME

DATE OF BIRTH

ADDRESS (This address will be used on all future correspondence unless otherwise notified.)

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Postcode

CURRENT SCHOOL

LA

DFE

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**PARENT / CARER DETAILS**

TITLE

FORENAME

SURNAME

RELATIONSHIP TO  
CHILD

TELEPHONE NUMBERS

1

2

EMAIL ADDRESS

PRINT NAME

SIGNATURE

**Please return to: GRAVESEND GRAMMAR SCHOOL, CHURCH WALK, GRAVESEND, KENT,  
 DA12 2PR  
 BY 31<sup>ST</sup> OCTOBER 2020**