

## **The Diocese of Canterbury Academies Trust Admissions Policy – Admissions Arrangement Consultation For Admission Year 2025-26**

This consultation covers the following schools in Aquila, The Diocese of Canterbury Academies Trust:

All Souls CE Primary School, URN 146950  
Archbishop Courtenay CE Primary School, URN 139822  
Brenzett CE Primary School, URN 143517  
Charing CE Primary School, URN 144835  
Charlton CE Primary School, URN 141659  
Eastchurch CE Primary School, URN 148118  
Kennington Academy, URN 141329  
Kingsnorth CE Primary School, URN 142429  
Reculver CE Primary School, URN 141216  
Sandwich Infant School, URN 148502  
St Clements CE Primary School, URN 149666  
St Georges CE Primary School, URN 142372  
St Laurence in Thanet CE Junior Academy, URN 138592  
St Mary of Charity CE Primary School, URN 141220  
St Nicholas CE Academy, URN 142814  
Temple Ewell CE Primary School, URN 139436

As our own admissions authority, we are required under the School Admissions Code 2021 to review our admissions policies annually and to consult on our arrangements from time to time. The code requires consultation in the following circumstances:

- 1. When changes are proposed to admission arrangements, all admission authorities must consult on their admission arrangements (including any supplementary information form) that will apply for admission applications the following school year.*

This is the first time the Trust has gone out to consultation to apply an oversubscription criteria for all our schools. Our intention is to ensure the children of Aquila staff are treated with parity across all schools within the Trust by introducing a Children of Staff criteria in a Trust-wide policy:

### *3. Children of Staff*

*Priority will next be given to children of staff at the school, in either of the following circumstances:*

- a) The member of staff has been employed at the school for 2 or more years at the time at which the application for admission to the school is made, or*
- b) The member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage*

In line with our duties to consult, please find a copy of our full policy and admissions arrangements attached. The policy also includes further details on all oversubscription criteria, how tiebreaker decisions are made, information on how proximity to school is calculated and information relating to deferring entry for infants.

If you wish to comment on the policy please email [admissionsconsultation@aquilatrust.co.uk](mailto:admissionsconsultation@aquilatrust.co.uk)

This consultation will open on 24<sup>th</sup> November 2023 and any comments relating to the policy will need to be received by 5<sup>th</sup> January 2024.

The Trust Board will meet soon after the closure of the admissions consultation to consider any comments. If no comments are received the policy will be recommended for determination by the Trust Board at their meeting in February 2024.

The Current Planned Admissions Number (PAN) for our schools are:

	PAN
Archbishop Courtenay CE Primary School, URN 139822	45
Kennington Academy, URN 141329	90
Charlton CE Primary School, URN 141659	30
Reculver CE Primary School, URN 141216	60
St Mary of Charity CE Primary School, URN 141220	30
St Georges CE Primary School, URN 142372	60
Kingsnorth CE Primary School, URN 142429	60
St Nicholas CE Academy, URN 142814	60
Temple Ewell CE Primary School, URN 139436	21
Brenzett CE Primary School, URN 143517	20
Charing CE Primary School, URN 144835	20
All Souls CE Primary School, URN 146950	45
Eastchurch CE Primary School, URN 148118	30
Sandwich Infant School, URN 148502	60
St Laurence in Thanet CE Junior Academy, URN 138592	64
St Clements CE Primary School, URN 149666	30