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Dear Parents/Carers,

We have now been notified by Kent County Council of the arrangements for the Transfer to Secondary School process for children entering secondary school in September 2018.

The Secondary Common Application form does not have to be completed until the end of October 2017. However, if you would like your child to be considered for entry to a Grammar school in September 2018, you will need to register him or her for testing. This can be done online at www.kent.gov.uk/ola between 1st June and 3rd July 2017. If you are unable to access a computer to register online, please contact us and we will support you with this process.

We are sure that you are aware that children now undertake the selection tests for admission to grammar schools in September in order that parents are given the results of the selection tests before making an application to their preferred school on the Secondary Common Application Form. The tests will all be taken in one day, on the **7th September 2017**. It is entirely the decision of parents to enter their child for the tests although we do offer guidance and support as to whether entry would be recommended. The Year Five children will soon be undertaking some CAT (cognitive ability) tests in Verbal and Non Verbal reasoning and Maths, so as to give you some guidance as to whether your child would reach a standard which is deemed appropriate for entry to Grammar school.

We will be holding a parents meeting on **Wednesday 7th June at 6pm** to talk through the procedure for entry to secondary education. Prior to this meeting, your child will be bringing home the results of the CAT tests, as an up to date assessment of your child's level of cognition and learning, to help to inform your decision. After the meeting, the Year 5 teachers, Mr Depradines and Mrs Papageorghiou will be available for 1-1 discussions about your child, alongside myself and Mrs Collins, including whether the school would support an appeal, should your child not gain the required score on the day of the test.

If you wish your child to be entered for the tests, please ensure that you complete the registration by 3rd July 2017 and we look forward to seeing you on the evening of the 7th June.

Yours Sincerely

Mrs J Ashley-Jones

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J Ashley-Jones'.

Headteacher

