

Admissions - Headteacher briefing sessions in 2009 on the Secondary Transfer for 2010

Kent's Secondary Transfer Scheme 2010 has now been determined and the Kent Tests are to be held on 15/16 September 2009; this is only the 2nd full week of the term.

You are probably aware that Admissions and Transport normally run Secondary Transfer briefing sessions across the county in the first week of September for primary and secondary headteachers.

Admissions and Transport recognise that this means schools will be extremely busy during the 1st week of term administering practice papers, etc. and therefore it may prove difficult and impractical to ask schools and admissions related staff to attend the Secondary Transfer briefing sessions.

Therefore, Admissions and Transport feel that it would be beneficial to hold the briefing sessions towards the end of the Term 6, possibly in the week commencing 13 July 2009.

We would like to gauge opinion on whether schools would welcome this change in practice to ensure that pressures at the beginning of September are minimised.

The Primary and Secondary Forums are asked to please indicate (via a show of hands) whether they are happy with this proposal to shift the headteacher briefing sessions forward into July.

Admissions and Transport will start promoting the new dates ASAP if both Forums feel on balance that this would be beneficial.

Many thanks.

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