Transfer to Secondary School 2021 - Medway Test Results

Information for pupils assessed as grammar

1. The Medway Test is to assess children for entry to the **Medway grammar schools only**.

These schools are:

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| Holcombe Grammar School *(boys)* | Sir Joseph Williamson’s Mathematical School *(boys)* |
| Chatham Grammar School for Girls *(girls)* | The Rochester Grammar School *(girls)* |
| Fort Pitt Grammar School (*girls)* | ***In addition:***  The Howard School *is a bi-lateral school (designated grammar section)* *(boys)* |
| Rainham Mark Grammar School *(mixed)* |  |

1. The Medway Test is made up of three papers (verbal reasoning, mathematics and extended writing). The tests are marked individually and the results are standardised.
2. **Standardisation** means that each child's score can be compared with those achieved by other children in the group and an allowance made for age so that the youngest are not at a disadvantage.
3. The standardised scores are **weighted**. The weighted scores are then calculated to provide a total weighted score using the following formula:

* 2 x Extended Writing standardised score ***plus***
* 2 x Mathematics standardised score ***plus***
* 1 x Verbal Reasoning standardised score

***The below is for example only:***

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|  | *Standardised Score* | *Weighted Score* |  |
| *Extended Writing* | *119* | *(119 x 2)* | *= 238* |
| *Maths* | *117* | *(117 x 2)* | *= 234* |
| VR | *122* | *(122 X 1)* | *= 122* |
| *Total weighted score* |  |  | *= 594* |

1. Each year a minimum total weighted score is determined based on 23% of children attending Medway maintained schools in the year group. This sets the score needed to be assessed as grammar. For September 2021 admissions, the minimum total weighted score required to be assessed as grammar is **483**.
2. All children attending Medway maintained schools whose score is above the minimum total weighted score will be assessed as grammar.
3. In addition all children who attend non-Medway schools or Medway independent schools whose score is above the minimum total weighted score will also be assessed as grammar.
4. All children who have taken the tests and achieved scores that are below the minimum score will be deemed non-grammar at this stage.