

St John Fisher Catholic School

DFE:	887 5436	PAN:	180
Type:	Secondary	Age range:	11-18
Gender:	Mixed	Area:	Chatham
Status:	Comprehensive	Principal:	Mrs Dympna Lennon
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Supplementary Information Form: This school requires applicants to complete a [supplementary information form](#) () when they apply.

Open morning: Saturday 14 October 2017, 9am to 12 (noon).

Tours of the school:

- Tuesday 12 September 2017
- Tuesday 19 September 2017
- Tuesday 26 September 2017
- Tuesday 3 October 2017
- Tuesday 10 October 2017
- Tuesday 17 October 2017

Tours will start on the upper site of the school (Ordnance Street, Chatham, ME4 6SG) at 9am and families will move to the lower site of the school (Maidstone Road, Chatham, ME4 6DP) at 9.45am.

Mini-bus transport will be provided if required. Headteacher's speech will take place at 10.30am.

Total number of preferences	
2017	2016
215	352

Previous year's preference breakdown					
1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th
67	58	50	22	122	6

Lowest score	
2017	2016
-	-

Places offered	
2017	2016
180	158

Furthest distance	
2017	2016
Undersubscribed	Undersubscribed

Access area
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No

Expected roll
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1185

Oversubscription criteria: 2018

Where the number of applications exceeds (n) the Governors will offer places using the following criteria in the order stated:-

1. Looked after Catholic children or looked after children in the care of Catholic families and previously looked after Catholic children who have been adopted or who have become the subject of a residence or guardianship order.
2. Catholic children, a baptismal certificate or evidence of reception into the Catholic Church must accompany the supplementary information form. See note a.
3. Children enrolled in the catechumenate. Evidence of enrolment in the catechumenate will be required.
4. Other looked after children and other previously looked after children who have been adopted or who have become the subject of a residence or guardianship order.
5. Non Catholic children who have attended a Catholic primary partner school, that is:
 - English Martyrs', Strood
 - St Augustine of Canterbury, Rainham
 - St Benedict's, Lordswood
 - St Edward's, Sheppey
 - St Mary's, Gillingham
 - St Michael's, Chatham
 - St Peter's, Sittingbourne
 - St Thomas More, Walderslade
 - St Thomas of Canterbury, Rainham
 - St William of Perth, Rochester.
6. Children of families who are members of other Christian denominations that are part of Churches Together in England. Evidence of Baptism (or dedication) provided by a priest or minister of a designated place of worship will be required.
7. Children who are members of other faiths. Evidence of membership of the faith provided by a priest, minister or religious leader of a designated place of worship will be required.
8. Any other children.

The following order of priorities will be applied when applications within any of the above categories exceed the places available and it is necessary to decide between applications.

1. A brother or sister on the school roll at the time of admission. Evidence of the relationship may be required. See note b.

ii. Social, pastoral and medical needs which make the school particularly suitable for the child in question. Strong and relevant evidence must be provided by an appropriate professional authority (eg qualified medical practitioner, education welfare officer, social worker or priest).

iii. Proximity to the School from the child's home address. See note c.

Notes

a. Catholics include members of the Ordinariate and the Latin and Oriental Rite Churches that are in union with the Bishop of Rome. Reference to other Christian denominations refers to denominations that are full members of Churches Together in England.

b. A “brother or sister” means children who live as brother and sister including natural brothers or sisters, adopted siblings, stepbrothers or sisters and foster brothers or sisters. It would **not** include other relatives eg cousins.

c. Home refers to the permanent home address at which the child lives for the majority of his/her time and with the parent who is in receipt of child benefit. The distance calculated is the shortest available safe walking route known to the geographical information home/distance software used by Medway Student Services (Admissions). This graphical information software may not know all footpaths that are in existence and certain new roads may not be known. Where a footpath or new road is not known to the software an alternative route will be used. Where a child's home is situated on a new road the distance calculation will begin from the nearest available known road plotted in the software. New developments may be subject to this. In certain cases it may not be possible to calculate a distance where the entire route is deemed as a safe walking route. In these circumstances the distance calculated is used purely to prioritise an application for admission. There is no expectation that the walk should be taken.

d. Looked after children are those in the care of a public authority and are in public care. Applications made under this criterion must be accompanied by details of circumstance and professionally supported evidence (eg from an appropriate social worker).

