RE-DETERMINED ADMISSION ARRANGEMENTS FOR CLIFFE WOODS PRIMARY SCHOOL FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2016

ADMISSION POLICY SEPTEMBER 2016

- 1. Children reach compulsory school age at the start of the term following their fifth birthday. Cliffe Woods Primary School will admit four year-olds into its Foundation Stage classes, ie those children born between 1 September 2011 and 31 August 2012.
- 2. Parents need to complete the Common Application Form in accordance with the coordinated scheme.
- 3. Parents are not obliged to start their child at school until the beginning of the term after the child is five. Therefore, parents who have been offered a September place may ask to defer their child's admission until later in the school year or until the child reaches compulsory school age in that school year without losing the offer of a place. Parents can also request that their child attends part-time until the child reaches compulsory school age. Parents of children with summer term birthdays (1 April to 31 August 2012) may ask to start their child in Year 1 in September 2017 but the Reception place will not be saved. Parents will have to reapply for a Year 1 place. Parents are not able to defer entry beyond the beginning of the term after the child's fifth birthday.
- 4. The Published Admission Number for Cliffe Woods Primary School is 45.

OVERSUBSCRIPTION CRITERIA

Following receipt of parental preferences, places will be offered to those children with statements of special educational needs where Cliffe Woods Primary School is named. Then, if the number of requests received via the co-ordinated scheme is more than the number of places available, places will be allocated in the following priority order:

- 1. Children in Public Care as defined in the Medway co-ordinated admission scheme.
- 2. Child's health reasons. Medical evidence must be provided which demonstrates a specific health reason which requires a child to attend Cliffe Woods Primary School.
- 3. Current family association (a brother or sister in the school at the time of application and still attending in September 2016) as defined in the Medway co-ordinated admission scheme.
- 4. Multiple birth children where Cliffe Woods Primary School is the nearest school to the child's home.
- 5. Nearness of child's home to school measured using Medway Council's criteria.

Where criteria involves measuring distance to a child's home, the LA's procedures for ascertaining the shortest available safe route between home and the school will be used.

In the unlikely event that two or more children in all other ways have equal eligibility for the last available place at the school, the names will be issued a number and drawn randomly to decide which child should be given the place.