# Secondary School Transition at Bishop Chavasse

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#### Secondary School - Open Events

- Deadline for your application is 31/10/23 (KCC website)
- Kent test results Wednesday 18th at 4pm
- Open events throughout September and October
- Visit all of the schools you are interested in!

# Secondary School - Choosing your school carefully

- Grammar, comprehensive, faith schools, single-sex or mixed
- Location careful consideration to transport options
- Ethos and values
- Curriculum / specialisms
- Enrichment / extra-curricular opportunities
- Ofsted reports / Academic results

# Secondary School - Choosing your school carefully

It is really important to have a feel for what a school is like during the day

We recommend attending at least one Open Morning and one Open Evening if you can

You may have a very different experience of what the school is like during an Open Evening to an Open Morning

Try and see as many schools as possible!

#### Secondary School - Expectations

- Uniform
- Mobile phones
- Behaviour
- Homework / Independent Study

#### Secondary School - Supporting your child

- Organisation timetables, uniform, equipment, homework
- Quiet workspace at home
- Contact with the school, keep in touch and let us know if there are any problems

# 'Do you have any advice for children in year 5/year 6 who are beginning to think about choosing a secondary school?'

- Read the map or if you didn't follow someone who did
- Don't stress about what school you get into. The most important thing is finding a school that is good for you.
- Choose the school that is right for you, don't go to a school just because your friends are going to that school.
- Don't worry about picking a school that your friends are going to pick a school, that is right for you
- Do not worry about going to the same school as your friends! Everyone is so lovely and you will make lots
  of new friends very quickly!
- When looking around clear your head and see if you feel comfortable in the environment
- If you take the 11+, please do not stress about it; you will go to the right school for you.

## 'What did you look for when helping choose your secondary school?'

- I just went with my gut feeling
- I looked for a school that would help me achieve my goals and make awesome new friends.
- I looked for a school that would help me improve my learning and would challenge me in a range of different ways
- How close it was to where I lived and also what school most suits me including what lessons they focus on and how often they do them.
- I looked for how easy it was to access the school and leave without taking too much time. If it's something you want to do, try and see what school your friends are going to so you can keep in touch!
- Good food, helpful teachers, nice students, a strong reason to go there
- I looked for kind pupils, supportive staff and a well-rounded community

# 'What is the best thing about being in secondary school compared to primary?'

- You get lots and lots of independence and you can get a larger choice of lessons
- We can go in our form room without a teacher in it
- My favourite thing about secondary school is all the different, exciting new lessons! the food is awesome as well
- The best thing about secondary school is probably the independence and the school lunches, as well as having a range of different teachers and learning lots of different subjects, for example, biology or DT
- The independence
- I think the best thing is the amount of freedom you get! You can basically do whatever you want (anything as in anything within the school rules) and you can go explore the school and go almost anywhere!
- Definitely the freedom and the variety of teachers, subjects and pupils!
- Independence, in Primary school you barely got to do anything yourself, secondary school helps boost your confidence for life ahead
- One of the best things is that you get to meet so many new people and make great friends! Another aspect of Secondary school is there are so many opportunities! Whether in learning or sport and clubs there is always something for you! You also get a wide range of subjects that you have never done before and are exciting and fun!



'Students' behaviour and attitudes are exceptional'

Ofsted, December 2022

#### Open Mornings (9-11am)

- Tuesday 26th September
- Thursday 28th September
- Tuesday 3rd October
- Friday 20th October

#### Open Evening (5-7pm)

Thursday 21st September

Scan the QR code to view more details and to book





# TWGGS Open Events 2023

Give Your Best

Open Evening
Wednesday 27th September
4.30pm to 7.30pm
Headteachers speak at

Open Morning
Tuesday 10th October 2023
10.40am to 12.30pm
Headteachers speak at 12 noon

Sixth Form Options Evening Wednesday 11th October 2023 6.15pm to 7.30pm Headteachers speak at 6.30pm

Open Morning
Thursday 19th October 2023
10.40am to 12.30pm
Headteachers speak at 12 noon

For more information visit www.twggs.kent.sch.uk/548/open-even



There is no need to book a place for the open events - please just turn up and meet us.

Parking is available in the nearby John Street car park, or in the surrounding residential roads.

Please avoid driving down Southfield Road.



#### Questions?