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Dear Parents and Carers,

### Co-Education Admissions Consultation

As you are aware, Chatham Grammar has been consulting with Medway Council around becoming a co-educational establishment, and therefore admitting both girls and boys into Year 7 from September 2024 onwards. We are proposing this change alongside Fort Pitt Grammar School and Holcombe Grammar, both of which are also planning to move to co-ed in September 2024.

The proposal is intended to balance the number of girls' and boys' places in Medway, and over time, to allow more Medway students to attend a grammar school. This will also reduce pressure on non-selective secondary schools, ensuring that there are enough places for all Medway students whether or not they wish to attend a grammar school. Having more mixed grammar schools will mean that girls' and boys' places will be more evenly spread across Medway, and that students will not have to travel as far to go to school.

Medway Council have now approved this proposal, and the outcome was published on 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2022. If you would like to view the outcome of the consultation, please follow this link: [Outcomes of consultation on proposals to move to co-educational provision](#).

The next step is for us to consult with all relevant stakeholders. We will therefore be publishing our Admissions Policy for September 2024 for public consultation. There will be a consultation period of six weeks, running from 2<sup>nd</sup> November to 13<sup>th</sup> December 2022. Fort Pitt and Holcombe Grammar will be consulting at the same time.

We would like to invite you to share your views on the proposal, by emailing [cgoffice@universityofkentacademiestrust.org.uk](mailto:cgoffice@universityofkentacademiestrust.org.uk) prior to the deadline. All responses received by the deadline of 13<sup>th</sup> December 2022 will be considered.

We look forward to hearing your views and hope that we will have your support in this proposal.

Yours sincerely,



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Principal