

## Whitstable Junior School

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Dear Parent and Carers,

By now you should have received a letter from Kent Local Authority (LA) offering your child a place at Whitstable Junior School. I do hope that you are pleased with this offer and would like to take this opportunity to welcome you to the school community.

As the letter from Kent LA states, you have until 6<sup>th</sup> May to inform us whether you do or do not wish to accept the place for your child. You can inform us by emailing the school at (manager@whitstable-junior.kent.sch.uk) which for us would be the preferred method due to the current situation. However we will accept a phone call informing us that you wish to take up the offer of the place if emailing is difficult. We have been advised that we will require a refusal in writing which could be a letter or an email. We hope you understand that at this time we are asking that you do not visit the school to inform us of your decision. Thank you for helping to keep us all safe.

I also want to reassure you, that whilst there is some uncertainty about the next few months for schools, we will be doing everything we can to make this rather unusual time of transition work as smoothly as possible. We will be communicating with your child's infant school and working with their teachers to gather all the information we need to help us allocate the children into class groups. We will send you details of your child's teacher for September during Term 6.

Under normal circumstances we would be arranging a series of transition visits for your child however schools may remain closed during term 6 (obviously this is totally unknown at the moment and we could open much sooner). If this is the case we will be putting our heads together to come up with some fabulous ways of connecting with your children so they are excited and ready to join us.

I look forward to meeting with you sooner rather than later and wish you and your family all the best over the coming months.

Kind regards,
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Annie Knoupe
Headteacher















