

Children get their secondary school offer

Published: Friday, 1st March 2019

More than 90 per cent of primary school children have been offered a place at one of their preferred secondary schools, new figures show.

Today, Friday, 1 March, is National Offer Day and families across Medway will start receiving news of the secondary school their child has been offered for September 2019.

Of the 3,300 Medway children offered places, 89 per cent have been awarded either their first or second preference. Every Medway child who applied on time has secured a school place.

The school admissions process for Medway is a huge task and involves the council's school admissions and transport team processing secondary school applications for 4,036 children, including 736 children from outside the Medway area.

More than 98 per cent of families used the council's online application process to submit their preferences.

More than 90 per cent of children have been allocated places at one of their preferred schools

Medway Council's Portfolio Holder for Education Attainment and Improvement Cllr Martin Potter said: "Thousands of children across Medway will be finding out which secondary school they will be going to and more than 90 per cent have been allocated a place at one of their preferred schools. Going to secondary school is a big step and I would like to wish them the best of luck for the future.

"Planning for the provision of school places with a growing population is a challenging task so I would like to thank our school organisation team for all their hard work."

Wishing our young people all the best as they continue their education

Cllr Andrew Mackness, Portfolio Holder for Children's Services, said: "Finding out which secondary school children will be going to is a very exciting time for them and their families so I am very pleased that many have been allocated a place at one of their preferred schools. I wish them all the best as they continue their education.

"I would like to thank our admissions team for all of their hard work. Medway continues to be a popular destination for families to move to which increases the number of children who need school places so it is a testament to the team's hard work that the majority of families receive offers at one of their preferred schools."