Public Notice

The Closure of St Philip Howard Voluntary Aided Catholic Primary School

Notice is given in accordance with section 15(2) of the Education and Inspections Act 2006 that the Governing Body of St Philip Howard Voluntary Aided Catholic Primary School, Avenue Road, Herne Bay, Kent, CT6 8TF, intends to discontinue the school on 31 August 2013.

The Decision to issue a Public Notice was taken by the Governing Body following public consultation which complied with all statutory requirements.

Pupils attending St Philip Howard Voluntary Aided Catholic Primary School at the time of its closure will be guaranteed places in primary schools in the local area. There are currently surplus places in primary schools in the local area. (See Explanatory Note 1). Parents/Carers have the right to seek to make their own arrangements with other schools. (See Explanatory Note 2).

The primary schools in the local area cater for pupils of all abilities including those in receipt of a statement of Special Educational Needs. This will ensure that the needs of all students, including those with special educational needs will be met in full.

The aim to place pupils in other primary schools in the local area will minimise the need for car travel.

This Notice is an extract from the Complete Proposal. Copies of the Complete Proposal can be obtained from the Clerk to the Governing Body at the school, either in hard copy or by email on request to sphproposal@gmail.com

Within six weeks of the date of publication of this proposal, any person may object or make comment on the proposal by sending them to Marisa White, Area Education Officer, East Kent Education Office, Brook House, Reeves Way, Whitstable, Kent CT5 3SS. Objections and comments should be submitted by 5.00pm on 14 June 2013 by hard copy or email school.consultations@kent.gov.uk

Signed: Mark Nash
Chair of the Governing Body of St Philip Howard Voluntary Aided Catholic Primary School

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Explanatory Notes
1. Kent County Council School Admission Officers will work with the staff of St Philip Howard School, Officers of the Archdiocese of Southwark Education Commission and parents and carers of children in the school with the aim of securing a place in the school of the parents' or carers' choice, but this cannot be guaranteed.

2. Parents and carers may wish to make their own arrangements in seeking places for their children in other schools, but places in those schools cannot be guaranteed.