

GRAVENEY TRUST CONSULTATION NOTICE

Consultation Notice on the proposed Admission Arrangements for 2020-2021

Graveney School, Welham Road, London SW17 9BU

Tooting Primary School, Franciscan Road, London, SW17 8HE

Franciscan Primary School, 221 Franciscan Road, London, SW17 8HQ

The Graveney Trust Board is consulting on its proposed admission arrangements to its schools for 2020-2021.

Graveney School

No changes are proposed to the current admission arrangements for the school but the school is required by the national Admissions Code to consult every seven years. The school last consulted on its admission arrangements in the winter of 2011/12 for September 2013 entry.

Tooting Primary School

No changes are proposed to the current admission arrangements. Consultation at this point is purely to bring the consultation cycle in line with the other Graveney Trust schools.

Franciscan Primary School

Franciscan became part of the Graveney Trust in September 2018. As a result, responsibility for admission to the school has transferred from the Local Authority to the Graveney Trust. The Trust proposes introducing a new admissions criterion giving priority to the children of staff working at the school, as is the case in its other schools. It also proposes to bring its Nursery admission criteria in line with those of Franciscan Primary School.

A copy of the proposed arrangements for 2020-21 for each school is attached.

This consultation is for the attention of:

- a) parents of children seeking a primary place in reception or secondary school place in year 7 from 2020 onwards
- b) other persons in the area who have an interest in the proposed arrangements
- c) all other admission authorities within the local area
- d) the local authority (Wandsworth Borough Council)
- e) any adjoining neighbouring local authorities

The consultation is open for 6 weeks from **09 November to 21 December 2018**.

If you would like to comment on the proposed admission arrangements, please send your comments in writing to:

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Chair of Graveney Trust
Graveney School
Welham Road
London SW17 9BU

Alternatively you can email your comments to the school's email address:
consultation@graveney.wandsworth.sch.uk

Written comments must be submitted and received by the school by 21 December 2018.

Following the consultation period all submitted comments will be considered by the Trust Board and the final arrangements will be published on the schools' websites after 28 February 2019.

FRANCISCAN PRIMARY SCHOOL ADMISSIONS CRITERIA 2020 - 2021

The oversubscription admission criteria for Nursery and Reception places are the same.

Applications for Nursery are direct to the school.

Applications for Reception are through the PAN London co-ordinated admissions system, via Wandsworth Council.

Places will first be offered to children with a Statement of Special Educational Needs or Education Health and Care Plan which names the school. These children will be included in the overall admission number of the school.

In the event of oversubscription, the remaining places will then be allocated in the following order of priority as follows:

- (i) Looked after children and those who ceased to be looked after children looked after because they were adopted, or because they became subject to a residence order, child arrangements order or a special guardianship order (note 1);
- (ii) Children with a professionally supported exceptional medical need or exceptional social need for a place at a particular school, as decided by the Governing Body (note 2);
- (iii) Children living inside the priority area with a brother or sister on the school roll on the date of admission (note 3);
- (iv) Children of employees of the Graveney Trust who work at Franciscan Primary School (note 5)
- (v) Other children living inside the priority area in order of straight line distance from home to school, as measured by Wandsworth Council's Geographical Information System. (note 4);
- (vi) Children living outside the priority area with a brother or sister on the school roll on the date of admission (note 3);
- (vii) Other children living outside the priority area in order of straight line distance from home to school, as measured by Wandsworth Council's Geographical Information System. (note 4);

If there are more applications than places within any category, applications will be considered in order of straight line distance from home to school as measured by Wandsworth Council's Geographical Information System (note 4).

Notes:

1. A child looked after is a child in the care of a local authority or provided with accommodation by that authority in accordance with Section 22 of the Children Act 1989. An adopted child is defined by section 46 of the Adoption and Children Act 2002 or section 12 of the Adoption Act 1976. A residence order is defined by section 8 of the Children Act 1989. A child arrangement order is defined by section 8 of the Children Act 1989 as amended by section 14 of the Children and Families Act 2014. A special guardianship order is defined by section 14A of the Children Act 1989.
2. Applications made on exceptional medical grounds must be supported by a current letter from a specialist health professional. Applications made on exceptional social grounds must be supported by a current letter from a social worker or other care professional working with the family. The letters must give reasons why the child's condition or circumstances make it necessary for the child to attend the school, and the difficulties that would be caused if the child had to attend an alternative school. If this information is not provided by the application closing date, the application will not be considered under this criterion. **Application under this criterion does not guarantee a priority place.**
3. A sibling is a full brother or sister, a step/half brother or sister living at the same address, a child who is living as part of the family by reason of a court order, or a child who has been placed with foster carers as a result of being looked after by a local authority.
4. The straight-line measurement used to prioritise applicants for admission to schools in Wandsworth commences in all cases at the location of the property and terminates at the central point of the school site as determined by Wandsworth Council's Geographical Information System. Measurements by alternative systems and/or to other points will not be taken into

account in any circumstances. Where applicants have identical distance measurements, priority amongst them will be determined at random.

5. The member of staff must have been employed by the school for two or more years at the time at which the application for admission to the school is made or be a member of staff who was recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage.
6. The permanent address of the parent/guardian with whom the child is living on the closing date for applications will be used for this purpose and this must be the address where the family normally lives. Parents are not permitted to use a temporary address to secure a school place for the child. A business address, a child-minder's address, or any address including a family member's address other than the child's permanent home will not be accepted. Proof of address will be sought and if there is any doubt about the validity of the address given it may be the subject of further investigation. Please see the "Choose a Wandsworth Primary School" admissions brochure for further information.
7. Where a child lives with parents with shared custody/responsibility, the address where the child spends the majority of the week should be used by parents for the school application. If there is a genuine 50/50 shared arrangement in place, the address where the child lives is determined using a joint declaration from the parents stating the pattern of residence. In cases where an agreement cannot be reached between the parents and Child Benefit is claimed, the address that is registered for this claim will be used. Additional proof may be requested, e.g. court order or a solicitor's letter to confirm the arrangements.
8. There is no automatic right of transfer from the nursery class to the reception class. If there are more applications than places available, priority will be based on the above criteria alone.

PRIORITY AREA

The boundaries of the priority area for Franciscan School run along the roads detailed below. These roads and all the roads inside the boundary are included in the priority area (unless otherwise stated).

- South side of Derinton Road (even numbers 10-316)
- West side of Rectory Lane (from north side of Hill House to junction with Mitcham Road)
- North side of Mitcham Road (odd numbers 1-215) and including Bevill Allen Close
- East sides of Tooting High Street (odd numbers 1-69) and Upper Tooting Road (odd numbers 127-247).

GRAVENEY SCHOOL ADMISSIONS CRITERIA 2020 - 2021

Category 1

70 places will be allocated by reference to general ability.

The 70 applicants with the highest scores in the Wandsworth Year 6 Test will be offered places. If there are fewer than 70 applications under this category, the balance will be allocated under Category 2.

Category 2

210 places allocated in the following order:

- (i) Children Looked After or children who were looked after, but ceased to be so because they were adopted (or became subject to a residence order or special guardianship order)
- (ii) Applicants not admitted under Category 1 who have a sibling attending the school at the time of application.
- (iii) Applicants with an acute medical or exceptional social need who in the opinion of the Governing Body, would be suitably provided for in the school;
- (iv) Children of staff at the school.
- (v) Proximity of the applicant's home to the school, with those living nearest being accorded the highest priority.

The above criteria will be applied in the following way:-

Category 1

All applicants applying to any Wandsworth School will take the Wandsworth Year 6 Test consisting of two papers – Non-Verbal Reasoning and Verbal Reasoning. The 70 places offered at Graveney will be offered to those applicants scoring the highest aggregate score in these papers, including applicants who would otherwise qualify under Category 2. Applicants with an equal score will be prioritised by distance order with those applicants living nearest the school given higher priority.

Category 2

- (i) A "Looked After Child" is a child in the care of a local authority or provided with accommodation by that authority in accordance with section 22 of the Children Act 1989. Children who were looked after, but ceased to be so because they were adopted are as defined by section 46 of the Adoption and Children Act 2002, or those who became subject to a residence order (under section 8 of the terms of the Children Act 1989) or special guardianship order (under section 14A of the Children Act 1989).
- (ii) A sibling is defined as a full brother or sister, a step/half brother or sister living at the same address, a child who is living at the same address as part of the family, by reason of a court order, or a child who has been placed with foster carers as a result of being looked after by a local authority.
- (iii) Applications made on acute medical grounds must be supported by a current letter from a specialist health professional. Applications made on exceptional social grounds must be supported by a current letter from a social worker or other care professional working with the family. The letters must give reasons why the child's condition or circumstances make it necessary for the child to attend the school, and the difficulties that would be caused if they had to attend an alternative school. If this information is not provided by the application closing date, the application will not be considered under this criterion. Application under this criterion does not guarantee a priority place.
- (iv) The member of staff must have been employed by the school for two or more years at the time at which the application for admission to the school is made or be a member of staff who was recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage.
- (v) The straight-line measurement used to prioritise applicants for admission to schools in Wandsworth commences in all cases at the location of the property determined by the National Land Planning Gazetteer and terminates at the central point of the school site as determined by Wandsworth Council's Geographical information System. Measurements by alternative systems and/or to other points will not be taken into account in any circumstances. Where applicants have identical distance measurements, priority amongst them will be determined at random. The child's home will be deemed to be that of the principal carer. It does not include the residence of a relative or carer unless they have legal custody of the child. Where parents have shared responsibility for a child and the child lives for equal parts of the week with each parent, the school will use the address that has been verified by the local authority as part of the coordinated PAN London Admissions process (proof of joint custody/shared living arrangements must be provided). The school will require documentary proof of residence and reserves the right to verify applicants' addresses with primary schools and electoral registers.

All applicants will apply on an equal footing and will not need to specify under which category they are applying.

TOOTING PRIMARY SCHOOL ADMISSIONS CRITERIA 2020 – 2021

The published admission number for 2020 Entry is 60.

If the school is oversubscribed, after the admission of pupils with an Educational Health & Care Plan (EHCP), where the school is named by a local authority in the EHCP, priority for admission will be given to those children who meet the criteria set out below, and applied in that order:

- (i) Children Looked After or children who were looked after, but ceased to be so because they were adopted (or became subject to a residence order or special guardianship order). (see note 1)
- (ii) Children with a professionally supported exceptional medical or social need for a place at a particular school, as decided by the Governing Body (see note 2)
- (iii) Brothers and sisters of children on the roll of the school on the date of application (see note 3)
- (iv) Children of employees of the Graveney Trust who work at Tooting Primary School (see note 4)
- (v) Children in order of straight line distance from home to school as measured by Wandsworth Council's Geographical Information System (see note 5).

NOTES

- 1. A child looked after is a child in the care of a local authority or provided with accommodation by that authority in accordance with section 22 of the Children Act 1989. Children who were looked after, but ceased to be so because they were adopted are as defined by section 46 of the Adoption and Children Act 2002, or those who became subject to a residence order (under section 8 of the terms of the Children act 1989) or special guardianship order (under section 14A of the Children Act 1989).
- 2. Applications made on acute medical grounds must be supported by a current letter from a specialist health professional. Applications made on exceptional social grounds must be supported by a current letter from a social worker or other care professional working with the family. The letters must give reasons why the child's condition or circumstances make it necessary for the child to attend the school and the difficulties that would be caused if they had to attend an alternative school. If this information is not provided by the application closing date, the application will not be considered under this criterion.
- 3. A sibling is defined as a full brother or sister, a step/half brother or sister living at the same address, a child who is living at the same address as part of the family, by reason of a court order, or a child who has been placed with foster carers as a result of being looked after by a local authority.
- 4. The member of staff must have been employed by the school for two or more years at the time at which the application for admission to the school is made or be a member of staff who was recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage.
- 5. The permanent address of the parent/guardian with whom the child is living on the closing date for applications will be used for this purpose. A childminder's address will not be accepted. Distance is measured by Wandsworth Borough Council on behalf of the school, using the GIS computerised system. Measurements produced by alternative measuring systems will not be taken into account in any circumstances. The distance is measured from the applicant's home to the front gates of the school, using a straight line measurement. The school reserves the right to verify applicants' addresses with nursery schools and electoral registers.