





## ADMISSION CRITERIA FOR SECONDARY TRANSFER 2009

The school is a Voluntary Aided Co-educational all ability Secondary School. The Admissions Committee of the Governing Body, which includes the Headteacher, is responsible for all admissions to the school.

The 11+ intake at the school will be 208 students.

### How places are allocated

Where applications for admission exceed the number of places available, the following criteria will be applied, in the order set out below, to decide which children to admit:

1. The Governors will fulfil their legal obligation to allocate a place to an applicant who is in Public Care.
2. 10% of places, for students whose permanent home address is closest to the school. The distance will be measured using the "shortest designated route" as determined by Hertfordshire Local Authority.
3. Children with a brother or sister currently attending the school and who will still be in attendance at the school on the date of admission.
4. Up to 10% of places, for students demonstrating musical aptitude as determined by test during the Autumn term.
5. Up to 10% of places, for students demonstrating academic ability. This will be determined by test during the Autumn term and places awarded in merit order.

*Additional information giving details of the musical aptitude test and the academic ability test are available in the General Information booklet which can be found in the back of the prospectus and also within the Admissions Policy.*

6. Distance places will be allocated on the basis of proximity to the school, with priority given to **WD3 postcodes only**. The distance will be measured using the "shortest designated route" as determined by Hertfordshire Local Authority.
7. Any remaining places will be allocated on the basis of proximity to the school, **outside the WD3 postcode area**. The distance will be measured using the "shortest designated route" as determined by Hertfordshire Local Authority.

Children with Statements of Special Educational Needs are not subject to the oversubscription criteria and parents are advised to read the Secondary Transfer Admissions Policy.

Parents have a right to appeal against non-admission to the school.

Parents are strongly advised to read the school's prospectus, admissions policy and information regarding the Musical Aptitude test and Academic Ability test before submitting their application.