

27 November 2019

Goldfinch Primary Admission Arrangements Consultation for the year 2021-22

Goldfinch Primary and Dunraven Educational Trust are currently determining admission arrangements for Goldfinch Primary for the 2021-22 academic year. As determined by the School Admissions Code (2014), we are required to consult on these arrangements, and are inviting comments on the proposed changes. The consultation will run from **28 November 2019 to 17 January 2020**.

The proposed Admissions Policy is attached and/or is available on the school's website <https://www.goldfinchprimary.org.uk/1303/key-information/category/36/admissions>. The proposed changes or points of clarification to the policy are summarised below. All other admission arrangements remain unchanged.

PROPOSED CHANGES

Published Admissions Number (PAN)

The Governing Body proposes reducing the PAN for Reception entry from 75 to 60. There will be no change to existing year groups at the school. Projections show that there will be sufficient school places available in the local area if the PAN is reduced. Should the demand for places increase the Governing Body will consider raising the PAN in the future. The Local Authority supports the proposal for the reduction in the PAN.

Siblings (Oversubscription Criterion)

The existing criteria has been moved from third to second priority. Clarification of the existing criteria to state that siblings does not include cousins or other relatives. The policy previously included 'a child who is living as part of the family by reason of a court order'.

Medical and/or Social Reasons (Oversubscription Criterion)

The existing criteria has been moved from second to third priority. The evidence requested for consideration under this criteria has also been amended.

NEW - Children of Staff at the School (Oversubscription Criterion)

The Governing Body is proposing the introduction of an additional oversubscription criteria which would allow the admission of children of staff at the school. This is in accordance with paragraph 1.39 of the School Admissions Code (2014).

Home Address

For 'shared living arrangements' the distance to the Home measured as nearest to the School will be used. Previous definition stated 'the address where the child spends the majority of the week should be used by parents for the school application'.

Oversubscription Within Criteria

If there are more applications than places within any criterion, the remaining criteria will be used to sort applications into priority order. Previous policy stated 'If there are more applications than places within any criterion, applications will be considered in order of straight line distance.'

Late Applications

Clarification of wording to state that late applications will be processed after National Offer Day after all on-time applicants have been considered for a place.



Waiting List

The waiting list will be maintained until 31 December in the school year of admission, in accordance with paragraph 2.14 of the School Admissions Code (2014).

SUBMITTING FEEDBACK

If you wish to comment on the proposed changes to our admission arrangements, please send your response by email or post to:

FAO: **Mr Jason White, Admissions and Appeals Officer**

Email: **info@det.org.uk**

Post: **Dunraven Educational Trust, 94-98 Leigham Court Road, London SW16 2QB**

Comments should be received by no later than **Friday 17 January 2020**

Once the public consultation has ended the Governing Body will consider all feedback to the proposed admissions arrangements and will make recommendations for final changes, where relevant. The final admissions arrangements will be determined by 28 February 2020 and will be published on the school's website by 15 March 2020.

