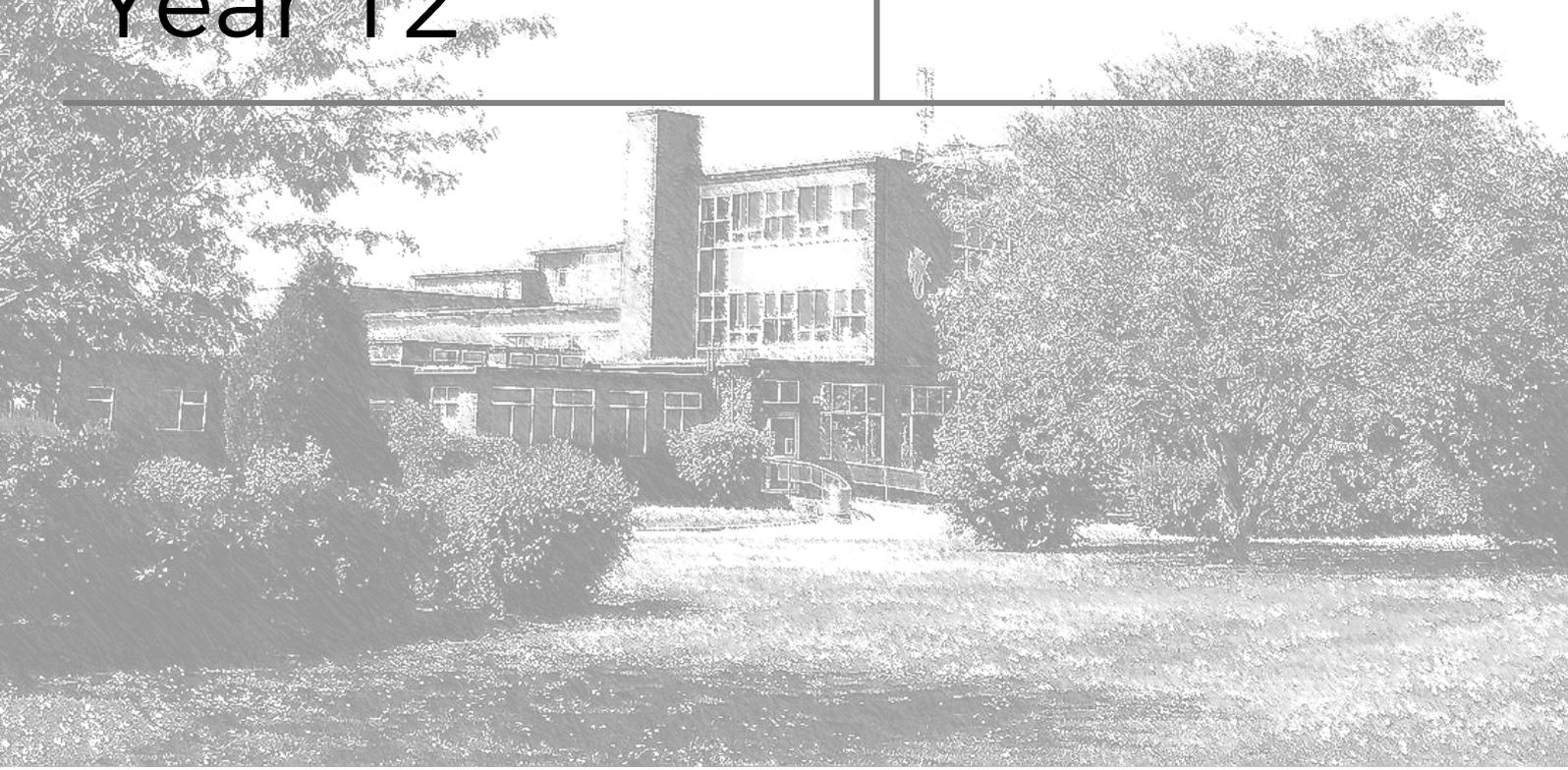




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Year 7 and  
Year 12

May

**2018**



# AIMS

We seek to fulfil the needs of learners in a caring, happy environment, enabling them to realise their true potential as young people and citizens.

We aim to enable our learners to:-

**P**REPARE for adult life in a happy, caring and purposeful environment

**A**CHIEVE their full potential regardless of individual need

**C**CARE for everyone and encourage respect and tolerance

**E**NJOY education and rejoice in success



## **DETERMINED ADMISSIONS ARRANGEMENTS FOR ENTRY TO YEAR 7 SEPTEMBER 2018**

The Whitby High School is an 11-18 foundation school. The Governing Body is the admissions authority and the admission limit for September 2018 is 300 places. Other year groups have a PAN of 270. This does not include the Sixth Form.

The Governor's admission policy on the allocation of places at The Whitby High School follows the Local Authority model. Advice on the appeals procedure, should the parents not be satisfied with the allocation, appears in the booklet

" **Applying for a Secondary School Place – Year 7 2018** ". The booklet is sent in September to the parents of Cheshire children in the secondary transfer age group and is available to other parents on request. Appeals forms for the school are available from the school directly on request.

### **Oversubscription Criteria**

In prioritising applications from parents expressing a preference for the school, the following criteria are used:

- 1 Cared for children'. A 'cared for child' is a child who is in the care of the local authority or provided with accommodation by that authority (as defined in section 22 of the Children Act 1989) or a child who was previously looked after but ceased to be so because they were adopted, or became subject to a child arrangements, or special guardianship order.
- 2 Children for whom there are particular medical or social reasons, which, in the Governors' view, justifies admission to a particular school. Supporting evidence from a registered professional, such as a medical practitioner, psychologist or social worker, must be provided which sets out the particular reasons why the school in question is the most suitable school and the difficulties that would be caused if the child had to attend another school. A panel of Governors will consider the information presented and will determine whether the evidence is sufficiently compelling to apply this criterion to the application. The Governors, if it is considered appropriate, will seek the views of the School Doctor or Educational Psychologist in the event of parents requesting admission on medical or psychological grounds. This criterion cannot be considered if the required documents have not been received. Few applications fall within this category.
- 3 Siblings – Students with brothers or sisters, step-brothers or step-sisters, half-brothers and half-sisters living together as part of one household, already attending the preferred school, and expected to continue at the school in the following school year.
- 4 Children resident within the designated catchment zone of the school Children will be classed within this category if they and their parents/carers are resident within the area served by the school on the closing date for applications.

- 5 Students not resident within a school's local catchment area but attending a school designated as a partner/feeder school for admissions purposes, as out-of-area Students.

The designated partner/feeder schools are:

Capenhurst CE Primary  
Ellesmere Port Christchurch CE Primary  
Meadow Primary  
Sutton Green Primary School  
Whitby Heath Primary School  
William Stockton Primary  
Woodlands CE Primary

- 6 Pupils for whom there are exceptional personal/ domestic circumstances presented by the parents that justify at the time of application, in the school's view, admission to the school
- 7 Students living nearest to the school (Distance) are measured using Ordnance Survey mapping in conjunction with Local Land and Property Gazetteer (LLPG) to identify each property and each school. A straight line measurement in miles is taken from the place of residence to the preferred school to calculate the distance.'

Where the school can accommodate some, but not all Students qualifying under one of the preceding criteria, priority will be given to Students having regard to the subsequent criteria. Where there are limited places available and two or more applications that cannot be differentiated between using the criteria, a random allocation tie breaker drawn by lots will be used, supervised by someone independent of the School.

Late applications for places will be considered after all applications received on time. Waiting lists for the normal admission rounds will be held in admission criteria order and not on a 'first come, first served' basis. Any vacant places will be reallocated to children held on a school's waiting list. The waiting list will be kept open until the end of the Autumn term. Placing a child's name on a waiting list does not affect the statutory right of appeal.

Repeat applications will not be considered within the same school year, unless the parents' or the school's circumstances have changed significantly since the original application was made.

## **ENTRY TO YEAR 12**

The external admission number for places in Year 12 is 30. Students wishing to join Whitby High School in Year 12 must, however, meet the academic criteria set for their intended courses. A level courses require a minimum of 5A\*-C grades at GCSE or equivalent except in exceptional circumstances e.g. illness, in which case regard will be made of prior achievement. Individual subjects may set a minimum requirement grade, which is indicated in the sixth form prospectus.