

PAINSLY CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL ADMISSION OF PUPILS

The Governors of the school have a responsibility - laid down by law - to maintain the character of the school and their admissions will be controlled with this in mind. The Governors have the sole responsibility for admission.

The Governors will admit children subject to the principles laid down above in the following order of preference:-

1. Catholic children who currently attend a Catholic feeder primary school.
2. Catholic children who currently attend a Catholic school other than the Catholic feeder schools.
3. Catholic children who currently attend a non-Catholic school.
4. Non-Catholic children who currently attend a Catholic feeder school.
5. Non-Catholic siblings.
6. Non-Catholic children who currently attend a Catholic school other than a Catholic feeder school.
7. Children of other Christian denominations attending other Church primary schools, and, in particular, where there is evidence of baptism, commitment or support of a religious leader.
8. Non-Catholic children who currently attend a non-Catholic school.

The Catholic feeder primary schools for Painsley Catholic High School are:-

St. Giles' Catholic Primary School, Cheadle,
St. Thomas's Catholic Primary School, Tean,
St. Mary's Catholic Primary School, Leek,
St. Filumena's Catholic Primary School, Caverswall,
St. John's Catholic Primary School, Alton,
St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Uttoxeter,
The Faber Catholic Primary School, Cotton.

Children with a statement of special education needs that names the school will have top priority.

In all categories the following order of criteria will be used to prioritise places:-

- those who have a sibling attending Painsley Catholic High School or the Moorlands Sixth Form Centre (having previously attended Painsley) at the time of application. *For the purposes of admission, a sibling is defined as a child who lives at the same address and who is the brother/sister, half-brother/sister (i.e. share one common parent), or step-brother/sister (i.e. related by a parent's marriage) of the child for whom the place is being requested. It also includes any adopted or fostered children living at the same address.*
- Catholic children in the care of the local authority.

For non Catholic pupils, preference within a category will be given to those parents who list Painsley as the first preference school on the application form.

Notes

1. Non-Catholic children who are in the care of the local authority will be considered under category 3.
2. Applications made on behalf of children of members of staff of Painsley Catholic High School will receive sympathetic consideration (under category 3).
3. (i) If there is over-subscription within Category 4, priority will be given in accordance with those having the earliest date of admission to a feeder school.
(ii) If there is over-subscription within any other category, the Governors will give priority to those living nearest the school as the crow flies measured from the centre gates on Station Road.
4. The last date for applications for entry to the school in September, 2005 is 5th November, 2004. The Governors will consider applications in late November/early December and forward lists of pupils in order of criteria to the LEA by Christmas. The LEA will inform all parents on 1st March, 2005 as to their child's allocation of a place at a school.
5. The Governing Body will not consider repeat applications in the same academic year unless there has been a change in the circumstances relevant to the application.
6. Parents who wish to appeal against the decision of the Governors to refuse their child a place in the school may apply in writing to the Clerk to the Governors of Painsley Catholic High School.

7. The agreed number for admissions for the Year 7 intake in September, 2005 is 170
8. Late applications will be given individual consideration.