

Proposed Admission Arrangements for 2020/21 school year for first admission to Henbury Secondary School, Bristol

Henbury Secondary School is an 11-16 academy in the North West of the City of Bristol and participates in Bristol City Council's co-ordinated arrangements for admission to Year 7 in secondary schools. Parents of children resident in Bristol who wish to express a preference for Henbury School should apply to the City Council using its common application form which can be downloaded from the Council's website. Parents may express three preferences on their application form.

The closing date for applications for admission to year 7 in 2020 will be 31 October 2019.

All Bristol resident children will receive a single offer of a school place that will be sent by Bristol City Council on the relevant National Offer Day. For September 2020 year 7 admissions, this will be in March 2020.

Henbury Secondary School has a planned admission number of 189 in the mainstream school.

In addition, the School has a Special Educational Needs Resource Base for students with identified learning difficulties. The Resource Base provides 35 places for students aged 11-16 with Education Health and Care Plans who are placed at Henbury School by Bristol City Council by agreement with the school. These places are in addition to the planned admission number of 189.

There may be other children with Education Health and Care Plans whose Plans require placement in Henbury School in addition to those specifically placed in the Resource Base. These placements follow the transfer arrangements set out in the SEN Code of Practice and associated regulations and are not subject to the general admissions arrangements for Henbury School. Once these students have been allocated places, the remaining places within the PAN of 189 will be allocated in accordance with the following oversubscription criteria:

Where there are more applications than places available, allocations will be made in the following order of priority.

Initial allocations will involve only those applications received by the submission date and accepted as on-time.

Priority is not given to first preferences. The admission arrangements are applied equally to all applications, with the aim of meeting the highest preference possible.

1. Children in care or children who were previously in care but immediately after being in care became subject to an adoption, child arrangement order or special guardianship order.

Children in care (also known as looked after children) are children who are in the care of the local authority or provided with accommodation by the authority in the exercise of their social services functions in accordance with section 22 of the Children Act 1989.

Children who are adopted include children who were adopted under Section 12 of the Adoption Act 1976 and those adopted under Section 46 of the Adoption and Children's Act 2002.

A Child arrangement order is an order made under Section 12 of the Children and Families Act 2014 which replaced residence orders made under section 8 of the Children Act 1989.

A Special Guardianship order is an order made under Section 14A of the Children Act 1989 whereby one or more individuals are appointed to be a child's special guardian/ guardians.

2. Siblings living in the Henbury School designated area of first priority

Where there are siblings of statutory school age in attendance at Henbury school and who will still be on roll in the year of entry and where the home address is within the designated area.

3. Siblings living outside the designated area.

Where there are siblings of statutory school age in attendance at Henbury School and who will still be on roll in the year of entry and where the home address is outside the designated area.

4. Geography

Children living within Henbury School's designated area.

5. Geography – Outside area

Children living closest to Henbury School as measured in a direct line from the home address to the school

Designated Priority Areas

Maps of the designated areas are published on the Bristol City Council website.

Siblings

Sibling refers to children who live permanently in the same household **AND** who are brother or sister, half brother or sister, step brother or sister, adopted brother or sister or a child of the parent or carer's partner where the child for whom a place is being sought is living in the same family unit at the same address.

Pupils will not be considered as a sibling link where older children have left the school in the year of entry.

Home address

The child's permanent home address, where he or she resides with a person with parental responsibility, or with a parent (as defined in Section 576 of the Education Act 1996). It is the address where the child spends the majority of their time. Documentary evidence may be required to confirm a child's home address. If a child regularly lives at more than one address the Council, on behalf of the school, will have to reach a conclusion about which address should be counted as the main address when allocating school places. This will normally be the address where the Child Benefit is paid and where the child is registered with a doctor.

Home to school distance

Home to school distance will be measured in a direct line from a point on the home address as held by the Local Authority to a point within the school building using the Local Authority's computerised mapping system.

Twins/Multiple Births

Where the last place offered is to a child of multiple births (eg twins, triplets etc) the remaining child/ren will be offered a place above the PAN if necessary. Thereafter the PAN will be applied to any subsequent admissions.

Tie-breaks

Where there are more applications than there are places remaining within a particular category, the direct line distance from home to school will be used as a tie-break.

Where two or more children live in a flat or other multi-home dwelling and it is not possible to determine which applicant lives closest to the preferred school as measured in a direct line from building to school; the available place(s) will be allocated by drawing lots. Any offer of a place determined by random allocation will be overseen by a member of staff from the Legal Division of Bristol City Council.

