



Godmanchester Community Academy

Admission and Over Subscription Arrangements for 2016-17

- We follow the admission and over subscription policy set by the Local Authority.
- We are set our Published Admissions Number (PAN) by the Local Authority, and we are unable to exceed this number of children, even as an academy.
- Our PAN (420 children) dictates 30 children, in two classes in each year.
- As an academy, we have made the commitment that our admissions policy will not change.

The Admission Criteria for infant and primary schools is as follows:

Godmanchester School follows the LA (Local Authority) admissions policy, and has a catchment area defined as the parish of Godmanchester. If you require further information on this admissions policy, please consult either the school office or the LA. The contact details for the LA Admissions team are tel: 0345 045 1370, and email admissions@cambridgeshire.gov.uk. Application forms are available at the school office, where you will be given guidance. KS3 placement is determined by the location of the family home, not the primary school attended.

Admission Criteria

1. Children in Care, also Looked After Children (LAC), and children who were looked after but ceased to be so by reason of adoption, a resident order or a special guardianship order.
2. Children living in the catchment area with a sibling at the school at the time of admission.
3. Children living in the catchment area.
4. Children living outside the catchment area who have a sibling at the school at the time of admission.
5. Children living outside the catchment area who have been unable to gain a place at their catchment area school because of oversubscription.
6. Children who live outside the catchment area, but nearest the school as measured by a straight line.

In cases of equal merit in each set of criteria, priority will go to children living nearest the school as measured by a straight line.

The LA apply distance criteria in situations of over subscription.



5. DEFINITIONS

5.1 Unless otherwise stipulated by a foundation or voluntary-aided school governing body, the following definitions will apply for all schools in Cambridgeshire.

5.2 Distance The distance, for admissions purposes, is measured using the straight line distance from the reference point of the home to the reference point of the school both as determined by the Ordnance Survey(OS) AddressBase Premium™. These distances are produced by the LA Admissions team for the school. For families who live outside the area covered by the Cambridgeshire mapping system, distances are determined using a combination of local maps and on-line resources.

5.3 Home address – the address of the parent with whom the child normally lives. Where children spend time with parents at more than one address, the address used to allocate a school place will be the one at which the pupil spends the majority of school nights (Sunday to Thursday). Where children spend equal amounts of school nights with both parents, the address used will be the one most advantageous to the application. The home address is that which applies at the time of an offer of a school place.

5.4 Future House Moves - Places cannot be allocated on the basis of an intended future changes of address, unless the new address has been confirmed by exchange of contracts and with confirmation of an anticipated completion date, for a house purchase or the signing of a formal lease agreement. Places cannot be allocated any more than 6 teaching weeks before the child is expected to take up the place.

5.4 Parent - A person who is either the child's birth or adoptive parent, has parental responsibility for the child or an adult who has delegated responsibility for the child, for which confirmation will be requested.

5.5 Siblings – Children, usually brothers or sisters, aged between 4 and 16, who live together in the same family unit. Unless otherwise stated, children who are in attached nursery or sixth form provision are not included.

Catchment Area:

A map of the school catchment area:



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