

### **ALLOCATION STATEMENT FOR ENTRY TO YEAR 7 2015/16**

### **Bristol Cathedral Choir School (BCCS):**

BCCS is an Academy run independently from the Local Authority (LA) and is funded directly by the Department for Education (DfE) for a set number of places in each year group. This is called the Published Admission Number (PAN). The PAN for Year 7 2015/16 entry is 120. BCCS is part of the Coordinated Admissions Scheme with Bristol City Council (BCC).

### The reason why your child not been successful in gaining a place at the school:

BCCS has received 785 on-time applications for the 120 places available and is therefore unable to offer places to every applicant who applied.

### How the 120 places have been allocated for Year 7 September 2015:

Firstly, 9 places have been reserved at the request of the SEN Team for children with a Statement of Special Educational Needs (SEN) or Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP). The remaining 111 places have been allocated by applying the published oversubscription criteria, in order, as set out in the Admission Arrangements 2015/16 for the 1<sup>st</sup> round of allocation:

- Highest priority was given to children who were defined as Looked after Children or Previously Looked after Children (3 places).
- Children who were the top attendees of the Probationer Chorister programme at Bristol Cathedral (8 places).
- Children selected for Music Specialism based on the highest scores achieved in the Music Aptitude Tests (12 places).
- Children with siblings of Statutory School Age attending BCCS who will still be on roll in September 2015. (43 places).
- Children who have a Medical & Social Need that only BCCS can meet (1 place).
- Children who are sons/daughters of staff at the school (3 places).
- The remaining 41 places were allocated randomly and supervised by an independent person.

### The operation of banded waiting lists for unsuccessful applicants:

BCCS is its own admission authority and maintains its own waiting lists. Applicants not allocated a place in the  $\mathbf{1}^{\text{st}}$  round of the process were placed onto the relevant banded waiting list by random allocation. Any places offered in the  $\mathbf{1}^{\text{st}}$  round that are declined by parent/carers, will be re-offered from the same banded waiting list, using a fresh round of allocation and supervised by an independent person.

### Year 7 2014 Music Specialism waiting list:

A separate waiting list operates for those applying for the Year 7 2015 Music Specialism places. The position on this waiting list is based on the combined score from the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Music Aptitude Tests in rank order. In the case of a tiebreak then the highest score from the 1<sup>st</sup> Music Aptitude Test will be used to determine position. If a music specialist place is declined the place is reoffered to the next applicant from the Music Specialism waiting list regardless of ability banding. N.B. music applicants are on both the banded waiting list and the music waiting list.



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### Allocation Statement for Bristol Free School - September 2015

Bristol Free School is a Free School independent from the Local Authority (LA), funded directly by the Department for Education (DfE), for a set number of places in each year group (Published Admission Number or PAN). Bristol Free School is its own Admissions Authority but its admissions arrangements are coordinated with the Local Authority in Bristol.

The reason why your child has not been offered a place is because there were more applications than places available. The published admission number is 150. As Bristol Free School is oversubscribed, the criteria stated in Bristol Free School's admissions policy have been applied to allocate the places which are available at the School.

A total of 445 on-time applications were received for Bristol Free School. 7 places are required for children with the school named in their Statement of Special Educational Need. This leaves 143 places to allocate using the published criteria. The table below shows how the places have been allocated against the School's admissions criteria for the School's admissions policy 2015.

BFS Admissions criteria 2015	Places
"This admissions policy applies to parents seeking admission for their children from September 2015	offered
onwards.	
1. Children who are in the care of a local authority or provided with accommodation by that authority	3
in accordance with section 22 of the Children Act 1989, at the time an application for a school is made;	
and children who have left care through adoption, a residence order or special guardianship order.	
2. Children for whom it is essential to be admitted to this school because of special circumstances to do	
with significant medical or social needs evidenced by written professional advice, explaining why these	
needs can realistically only be met by Bristol Free School.	
3. Children who, on the date of admission, will have a sibling on the roll of the school. Sibling means a	42
full, step, half, adopted or fostered brother or sister, but not cousin, who will be living permanently	
with them at the same address at the date of their entry to the school; the school may require proof of	
relationship. This will only apply, if at the time of entry, both siblings reside at the same address inside	
the defined Admissions Priority Area (APA). The exception to this is the siblings from the school's	
Founding Year: In accordance with the admissions policy with which the school opened, siblings of the	
founding year 7 will be given sibling priority regardless of where they live.	
4. For entry into the school (normally Year7) an Admissions Priority Area (APA) will apply. The APA is a	20
geographic area based upon the Neighbourhood Partnership Area (NPA), centred upon, the BS9 area,	
modified to incorporate the area close to the school. Then	
i. 20% of the available places will be allocated to those applicants whose home address is closest to the	
school. The point to which measurements will be made is the mid-point on a line drawn between the	
centre of the Burghill Road and Concorde Drive entrances to the school. (Furthest distance offered	
780.24m)	
ii. 80% of the available places will be allocated to those whose home address is closest to a point	78
defined by the mid-point at the junction of Elmlea Avenue and Rylestone Grove; this point lies close to	
the centre of the NPA. Available places, is defined as the number of places remaining once the number	
admitted under 1,2 and 3 above are subtracted from the 150 originally available. If there are surplus	
places available under either 4i or 4ii, they will transfer to the other category in the first instance.	
(Furthest distance offered 1.3203km)	
5. Should there be fewer applications from within the APA than there are available, then all applicants	
from outside the APA will be considered. Again,	Not
i. 20% of the available places will be allocated to those applicants whose home address is closest to the	applicable
school. The point to which measurements will be made is the mid-point on a line drawn between the	
centre of the Burghill Road and Concorde Drive entrances to the school.	
ii. 80% of the available places will be allocated to those whose home address is closest to a point	Not
defined by the mid-point at the junction of Elmlea Avenue and Rylestone Grove; this point lies close to	applicable
the centre of the NPA. In this instance, places available is defined as the number remaining after the	
application of criteria 1, 2, 3, 4i and 4ii."	

#### APPEALING FOR A PLACE AT BRISTOL FREE SCHOOL

'Under the Education Act parents have the right to appeal to an Independent Appeals panel against a school's decision not to offer their child a place.'

#### How do I appeal for a place?

Parents wishing to Appeal for a place for their child at Bristol Free School should consider the following points before completing an Appeal form.

To Appeal, complete the Appeal Pro Forma which is enclosed and attach additional information if you wish and return to the **School Admissions Team** at **Bristol City Council**. They will forward all relevant documentation to the Democratic Services at Bristol City Council who will then organise the Appeal giving you an appointment date and time. The Democratic Services will arrange an independent Appeals Panel which consists of 3 people who have no prior connection with the school: a Lay person, a Chair and a member acquainted with education. The panel will consider the case put forward by you wanting to attend the Free School and the Free School's refusal to offer a place. The panel must exercise discretion by balancing the weight of your reason for wanting your child to attend Bristol Free School against the school's published admissions arrangements. *I.e. the prejudice that an additional student would cause to the education of the students already offered a place and the Health and Safety of all the students in the Free School, also taking into account the Free School's published admissions arrangements.* 

If you Appeal, the place offered at an alternative school should be reserved until the result of the Appeal is known. Places may become available at Bristol Free School at a later date because some parents, who may have been offered a place, change their mind or move from the area. If this happens, places will be allocated using the school's published Admissions Policy, giving equal consideration to those children whose parents have appealed for the school concerned and those children whose parents have indicated that they wish to remain on the waiting list for the school concerned.

N.B using your right to Appeal will not affect your child being on the waiting list.

If, at any time, you want to withdraw your Appeal or remove your child's name from the waiting list, please inform the school immediately. If your child qualifies for a place that has subsequently become available at Bristol Free School; your Appeal will be cancelled.

#### KEY POINTS - if you choose to appeal

- Send in your Appeal Pro forma on time.
- Think about your child's needs.
- Find about Bristol Free School and the offered school.
- Decide on the reasons why Bristol Free School is the only school to meet your child's needs.
- Prepare your case.
- Back up your points with evidence simply stating your child has always wanted to attend Bristol Free School is **not** evidence.

Please note that this Appeal guide applies to Bristol Free School ONLY. It is based on the Schools Admissions Arrangements and the DfE Code of Practice on School Admissions Appeals. Other admission authorities will have similar procedures but you may wish to contact the relevant admission authority for further guidance.

#### For Further Information

The guidance in this letter is based on the Admissions Arrangements of Bristol Free School and the Department for Education, DfE Code of Practice on School Admissions Appeals.

For a copy of the Bristol Free School Admissions Arrangements, please visit our website <a href="www.bristolfreeschool.org.uk">www.bristolfreeschool.org.uk</a> or contact the school at:

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For a copy of the DfE Code of Practice please visit www.education.gov.uk

# COLSTON'S GIRLS' SCHOOL ALLOCATION STATEMENT Year 7 2015/2016



### **Our admissions arrangements:**

Colston's Girls' School is an Academy independent from the Local Authority funded directly by the Department of Education, for a set number of places in each year group (published admission number or PAN).

Our admissions arrangements are co-ordinated with the Local Authority in Bristol. Colston's Girls' School is its own Admissions Authority and has its own criteria and admissions arrangements. Information of our admissions arrangements follow below.

### Why your daughter has not been offered a place at Colston's Girls' School:

The reason why your daughter has not been offered a place at Colston's Girls' School is because there were more applications than places available. The admission number is published every year in our Admissions Arrangements, and in the Local Authority's "A guide for parents and carers on applying for a secondary school place for the school year 2015-16", and on the Colston's Girls' School website.

### Our allocation of Year 7 places for September 2015:

The oversubscription criteria as stated in the Admissions Arrangements for 2015/2016 have been applied to allocate the places available at the school. The Academy's PAN (published admission number) for Year 7 is 140. The school received a total of 583 on-time applications.

Places were allocated as follows:

Foreign Language Scholars	14
Applicants with Statements of Special Educational Needs	4
Looked After Children	2
Siblings	25
Staff	1
Medical & Social	0
Random Allocation	94

A fair banding method was applied to ensure a comprehensive intake. Applicants were placed into one of five ability bands based on the score achieved in the GL Assessment Non Verbal Reasoning assessment, which all applicants for Year 7 secondary transfer places were invited to take.

All applicants who sat the assessment were placed in bands, such that, wherever possible, there was an equal number in each band. Places were then allocated, as far as possible, such that, an equal number were given in each band. Banding enabled Colston's Girls' School Academy to achieve an intake representative of the ability range of applicants to the school. These bands were applied to criteria a) and c) to f).

Applicants who failed to turn up to take the banding assessment (apart from Looked After Children who must always be given priority) were invited to submit other evidence of the child's academic ability and included in the first round of random allocation. Late applicants (defined as applications received after the closing date) will be considered after the first round of random allocation. They will be prioritised on the basis of criteria 7b to 7g in the Admissions Policy. All applicants who submitted the Supplementary Application Form were offered fair access to the assessment and reminded of the date, times and location available to sit the test.

#### PROCEDURES WHERE COLSTON'S GIRLS' SCHOOL IS OVERSUBSCRIBED

Where the number of applications for admission is greater than the PAN, applications will be considered against the criteria set out below. After the admission of pupils with statements of Special Educational Needs where Colston's Girls' School is named on the statement, the criteria will be applied in the order in which they are set out below.

- a) Equal priority will be given to:
  - (i) children who are "looked after" children (within the meaning of the Children Act 1989) at the date that the relevant application for admission is made and who a local authority has confirmed will continue to be looked after by it in accordance with relevant legislation at the time they are admitted to CGS; and
  - (ii) formerly "looked after children" who are defined as children who were adopted (or made subject to residence orders or special guardianship orders) immediately following having been looked after.
- b) Children up to a maximum of 10% of the Year 7 PAN admitted on the basis of aptitude in Foreign Language.
- c) Children who, on the date of admission, will have an older sibling on the roll of CGS. The term "sibling" is defined as a sister, but not cousins, under one of the following categories, and who will be living permanently with them at the same address at the date of their entry to the School. Parents will be required to produce proof of the birth date or adoption certificates of both siblings to prove the relationship together with any other evidence that Colston's Girls' School may reasonably require.
  - (i) Full
  - (ii) Half
  - (iii) Step
  - (iv) Adopted
- d) Children who have a parent who is a member of staff at the school who has been employed for two or more years at the time at which the application for admission to the school is made, and/or the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage.
- e) Children for whom it is essential to be admitted to Colston's Girls' School because of special circumstances to do with significant medical or social needs. The application will need to be supported by written advice from a qualified social worker, GP, hospital specialist, or similar professional. The information should demonstrate why "Colston's Girls' School is the only school that can meet the child's needs".
- f) Next, places will be allocated by random allocation as specified below. The random allocation process will be supervised by an independent person (someone who is not employed by CGS):
  - 75% of those places will be offered to an inner catchment area which will include all addresses in post codes BS1 BS16.

25% of those places will be offered to an outer catchment area which will include all addresses in the following post codes:

- BS17 to BS49
- BA1 to BA3
- GL9, GL12, GL13
- SN14
- g) Where places are still available, these will be allocated by random allocation to those applicants living outside the above areas.

### Allocation Statement for Cotham School - September 2015

As Cotham School is oversubscribed, the criteria stated in the booklet 'A guide for parents and carers on applying for a secondary school place for the school year 2015-2016' have been applied to allocate the places that are available at the Academy.

662 on-time applications (170 first preferences, 272 second preferences and 220 third preferences) have been received for Cotham School which has an admission number of 216.

### How the Initial Allocation of Places was made

The 216 places have been offered to the following children:

- 1. Those children who are defined as 'Children in Care'; or children who were previously in care, but immediately after being in care became subject to an adoption, residence, or special guardianship order. (0 places).
- 2. Those children living within the area of first priority for Cotham School, with siblings of statutory school age attending the Academy, who will still be on roll in September 2015 (23 places)
- 3. Those children who live within the area of first priority for Cotham School, (79 places)
- 4. Those children living outside the area of first priority with siblings of statutory school age attending the Academy who will still be on roll in September 2015 (45 places)
- Those children living outside the area of first priority for Cotham School who live closest to the Academy as measured in a direct line from the home address to the Academy (69 places)

The furthest distance offered a place in this category was 1.751 km.

### **Allocation Statement**

### September 2015 Year 7 Intake

### **Oasis Academy John Williams**

As Oasis John Williams is oversubscribed, the criteria stated in the booklet "A guide for parents and carers on applying for a secondary school place for the school year 2015-2016" have been applied to allocate the places that are available at the school.

356 on-time applications have been received for Oasis Academy John Williams which has an admission number of 162.

3 places are required are required with the Academy named in their Statement of Special Educational Need.

The remaining 159 places have been allocated using the Academy's published admissions criteria as follows:

### How the Initial Allocation of Places was made

The **159 places** have been offered to the following children:

- 1. Those children who are defined as 'Children in Care'; or children who were previously in care, but immediately after being in care became subject to an adoption, residence, or special guardianship order. (1 place).
- 2. Those children with specific medical and/or special needs where the application is supported by written specific professional advice as to why admission to the Academy is necessary. (**0 places**)
- 3. Siblings of students who will be members of Years 7 to 11 at the Academy on the date when the applicant would be admitted. The term "sibling" means a full, step, half, adopted or fostered brother or sister, or other child living permanently within the same household. The Academy reserves the right to ask for proof of relationship. (43 places)
- 4. Children who live the nearest distance from the Academy within the area of first priority. (85 places)
- 5. Children who live the nearest by direct line distance from the Academy outside the area of first priority. (**30 places**) The furthest distance offered a place in this category was 1.835 km.

### Allocation Statement for Redland Green School - September 2015

As Redland Green School is oversubscribed, the criteria stated in the booklet 'A guide for parents and carers on applying for a secondary school place for the school year 2015-2016' have been applied to allocate the places that are available at the school.

683 on-time applications (287 first preferences, 234 second preferences and 162 third preferences) have been received for Redland Green School which has an admission number of 189.

10 places are required for children with the school named in their Statement of Special Educational Need/Education, Health and Care Plan.

This left 179 places to allocate using the published criteria.

#### How the Initial Allocation of Places was made

The 179 places have been offered to the following children:

- 1. Those children who are defined as 'Children in Care'; or children who were previously in care, but immediately after being in care became subject to an adoption, residence, or special guardianship order. (1 place).
- 2. Those children living within the area of first or joint priority for Redland Green School, with siblings of statutory school age attending the school, who will still be on roll in September 2015. (73 places)
- 3. Children who live within the area of first priority for Redland Green School, who live closest to the school as measured in a direct line from the home address to the school (105 places).

The furthest distance offered a place in this category was 0.832 km.



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### September 2015 Year 7 Allocation Summary for The Steiner Academy Bristol

We are an Academy run independently from the Local Authority (LA) funded directly by the Department for Education (DfE), for a set number of places in each year group (Published Admission Number or PAN). Our admissions arrangements are coordinated with the Local Authority in Bristol. The Steiner Academy is its own Admissions Authority and has its own Admissions criteria

The following summary indicates the number of places available in Year 7 and the places offered against each oversubscription criterion on March  $2^{nd}$  2015.

Year Group	Admission Number	Total Preferences Received
Year 7	26	54

	Criterion	
		Year 7
1	Children in the care of a Local Authority at the time of application, or whose care has ceased because he/she has become adopted or the subject of a residence or special guardianship order	2
2	Children of Founding Directors	0

3	Children of staff employed at the Academy where recruitment is to fill a demonstrable skills shortage	1
4	Children with a sibling on roll at the Academy at the time of application A sibling is a full, adopted, half or step brother or sister, including a full, adopted, half or step brother or sister living at a different address. Foster children will count as a brother or sister to those living within the foster household or, where appropriate, the natural parental home address.	7
5	Children who are entitled to Free School Meals at the time of application	2
	Children not satisfying a higher criterion.	14

The straight-line distance between home and the Academy site (St. Matthias campus) for the last child allocated a place in each year group is as follows:

Year Group	Straight Line distance in miles
Year 7	2.109

The Academy Admissions Committee will maintain waiting lists for each year group until the end of the 2015 academic year that will include the names of all children refused admission. Names will automatically be entered whenever an application is refused and listed in ranked order according to the oversubscription criteria. If a place is no longer required, it will be re-offered for the child ranked highest on the waiting list at that time.

### Admissions appeals

If you have been refused a place and you are not happy with the decision, you have the right to appeal. You must appeal within one month of the date when you received notice that your application was unsuccessful.

You can download an appeal form, <a href="http://www.steineracademybristol.org.uk/admissions/appeals/">http://www.steineracademybristol.org.uk/admissions/appeals/</a> or you can contact us and ask us to email or post you a form.

All appeals will be heard by an independent panel arranged via Bristol City Council, in the same way as appeals for other state funded schools.

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# St. Bede's Catholic College

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**Dear Parent** 

### Allocation of Places to St Bede's Catholic College September 2015

As St Bede's Catholic College is over-subscribed the criteria published in the Governors' Admissions Policy have been applied to allocate the 180 places that are available.

There were no applications within Category 1, 3, 6 or 7 of our criteria. All applications received by Governors and the Local Authority by the published deadline of 31<sup>st</sup> October 2014, falling into the priority 2 and 4 categories have been offered places. Within priority 5, offers have been made to the first 7 applicants who live closest to the college. These offers were made to families who had provided the college with evidence of faith practice, in accordance with our policy. In addition, a place has been reserved for one pupil with a statement of Special Educational Need. In total, 180 offers have been made.

The remaining applicants in priority 5 and all applicants in priorities 8-12 unfortunately have not been successful at this stage in securing a place with us for September 2015. I know that this will cause disappointment and some anxiety. However we may be able to make further offers if any family decides not to accept the place allocated to their child.

The college is happy to receive calls from parents who have been unsuccessful in this round if they wish to know the priority order in which their application has been placed. Following first round offers, we may be in a position to give some indication of the likelihood of success within second round offers.

On the reverse of this letter you will find information on how to appeal the decision of the Governing Body. If you would like to exercise this right, the completed form and a letter, if you so wish, detailing the grounds of the appeal, should be received at the college by Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2015, addressed to the Clerk of Governors.

Yours sincerely

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Clerk to Governors



















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### Allocation Statement for St Bernadette Catholic Secondary School - September 2015

As St Bernadette Catholic Secondary School is oversubscribed, the criteria stated in the booklet 'A guide for parents and carers on applying for a secondary school place for the school year 2014-2015' have been applied to allocate the places that are available at the school.

299 on-time applications (144 first preferences, 96 second preferences and 59 third preferences) have been received for St Bernadette Catholic Secondary School which has a Published Admission Number of 150.

Three places are required for children where the school has been name in the Statement of Special Educational Need.

This left 147 places to allocate using the published criteria.

### How the Initial Allocation of Places was made

The 147 places have been offered to the following children:

- 1. Children baptised into the Catholic faith from the Parishes/Areas named in the Admissions Policy (71 places.)
- 2. Children baptised into the Catholic faith from other Catholic Parishes for whom there is no place in their designated Catholic Secondary School (1 place.)
- 3. Siblings of present pupils at the time of admission at Saint Bernadette Catholic Secondary School (28 places.)
- 4. Children who have a Christian faith commitment (32 places.)
- 5. Children with other faith commitments (2 places.)
- 6. Other applicants where priority was given to those living closest to the school (13 places.) The furthest distance offered in this category was 1.547km

### Allocation Statement for St Mary Redcliffe & Temple School September 2015

### How the initial allocation of places was made:

The 216 places have been offered to the following children:

1.	Statemented Children.	10
2.	Up to 4 places to children of other faiths.	4
3.	Up to 16 places to children of local residents living no more than 500 meters from the school entrance.	16
4.	Looked after children.	5
5.	Applicants in Group D1	181
6.	Applicants in Group D2	0
7.	Applicants in Group D3	0
8.	Applicants in Group E	0