

Is your child starting school in Reception?

As a community school, all our admissions are arranged by Lancashire County Council.

The admission criteria for Whitefield Primary School, as set by Lancashire County Council -

When a school is oversubscribed on parental preferences, the following priorities apply in order:

1. Looked after children and those who have been previously looked after, then
2. Children for whom the Local Authority accepts that there are exceptional medical, social or welfare reasons which are directly relevant to the school concerned, then
3. children with older brothers and sisters attending the school when the younger child will start, then
4. Remaining places are allocated according to where the child lives. Those living nearest to the preferred school by a straight line (radial) measure will have priority.

If the Local Authority is unable to distinguish between applicants using published criteria (eg twins or same block of flats) places will be offered via a random draw.

For September 2020, you must apply for a place at Whitefield by the closing date of 15th January 2020.

You apply online via www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools

Remember:

You must apply if your child has a 4th birthday between 1st September 2019 and 31st August 2020.

You must apply even if an older brother or sister is already at our school.

You must apply even if your child goes to Grasshoppers Nursery.

Is your child going to high school in September 2020?

Our local high schools hold their open days and evenings during September and October. Children in Y6 and Y5 can attend these events with their parents.

The majority of children at Whitefield go to either Penwortham Priory Academy, Hutton Grammar School (boys only) or Penwortham Girls High School. Some children go to All Hallows Catholic High School. In the past, due to location, some children attend Lostock Hall Academy or Tarleton High School.

The admission criteria for all high schools is available on their school website.

For September 2020, you must apply for a place at Whitefield by the closing date of 31st October 2019.

You apply online via www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools - applying for a secondary school place.

Is your child already at another school and you wish to transfer them to Whitefield?

Firstly, contact school to check we have any available places. If we do, ask if we can arrange a tour of your school for you and your child. We must all be confident that Whitefield is the right place for you and your child.

If you wish to move your child, we have the paperwork that you need to complete. We advise you speak to the Head Teacher of your child's current school and ensure they are kept in the loop regarding your decisions.