

TITLE Update on 2014/15 Transfer Groups

FOR CONSIDERATION BY Admissions Forum on 24 June 2014

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SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to present updated information on the three transfer groups – entry to primary; primary to secondary transfer and transfer to year 3 junior schools.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Members of the Forum to note the information provided

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

This report should be read in conjunction with the Annual Report to the Office of the School's Adjudicator which included general information about each cohort.

Enclosed with this report is allocation information for the three cohorts showing how places were allocated at schools against the school admission criteria together with appeal statements which gives information on how many children did not receive an offer of a preferred school place against the admission criteria who then formed the school waiting list pending confirmation from parents on their acceptance forms indicating that they wish to remain on school waiting lists.

Transfer to secondary update

Places are currently available at Wokingham borough secondary schools as follows:

The Bulmershe	71 places	
The Emmbrook	47 places	Total: 118 places (195 places in 2013)

School waiting lists have reduced as follows:

The Forest – 1; The Holt – 49 (all designated area and siblings are now allocated); Maiden Erlegh - 150 (includes 26 children living in the designated area and 7 siblings outside designated area – the last child living in the designated area lives 1.031 miles from the school; Oakbank – 0 (fully allocated); The Piggott - 80 (includes 1 late application for a child living in designated area and 3 siblings outside designated area); St Crispin's – 89 (includes 22 living in designated area and 15 siblings outside designated area and Waingels College – 13.

There have been 100 late applications. 4 children are currently without a school place after their parents have refused the schools offered and whilst they explore other options.

Appeals information as follows:

Holt School - 9 appeals were heard and refused (6 were settled) – 4 appeals heard in 2013;

Maiden Erlegh - 21 appeals are to be heard in the week commencing 16 June (4 have been settled or withdrawn) – 24 appeals heard in 2013;

The Piggott - 31 appeals were heard by the Oxford Diocese in the week commencing 9 June (7 were settled or withdrawn) – 17 appeals heard in 2013;

St Crispin's - 22 appeals were heard and refused (3 have been settle or withdrawn) – 1 appeal was heard in 2013;

Waingels College - 3 appeals are due to heard on 13 June (3 have been settled) – 1 appeal was heard in 2013.

Three appeals were lodged and settled for The Forest School and one for Oakbank School.

Transfer to year 3 in a junior school

Places are currently available at Wokingham borough junior schools as follows:

Emmbrook Junior	3 places	
Gorse Ride Junior	3 places	
Polehampton CE Junior	1 place	
Robert Piggott CE Junior	2 places	
Shinfield St Mary's CE Aided	11 places	
Willow Bank Junior	1 place	Total: 21 places (50 places in 2013)

School waiting lists are as follows: Oaklands Junior – 2 children; St Paul's CE Junior – 10 children; Westende Junior – 4 children.

There have been 13 late applications. No appeals have been heard for this cohort.

Entry to primary

Three new schools were included in the co-ordinated admissions scheme this year: Evendons Primary School, Windmill and Wheatfield Primary Schools. The Piggott School was included in last year's co-ordinated scheme. It was also agreed that two schools, as part of planned expansions, would admit more children – Shinfield Infant - 90 children (30 extra places) and Grazeley Parochial CE Aided Primary – 30 children (15 extra places).

The Piggott and Windmill Primary Schools opened in September 2013; the Funding Agreement has been signed for Wheatfield Primary School to open in September 2014 and the local authority was given assurance by the Department for Education that Evendons Primary School is expected to open in September 2014.

Places are currently available at Wokingham borough infant and primary schools as follows:

All Saints CE Aided Primary	8 places	
Crazies Hill CE Primary	3 places	
Earley St Peter's CE Aided	2 places	
Emmbrook Infant	3 places	
Evendons Primary	1 place	
Gorse Ride Infant	11 places	
Highwood Primary	1 place	
Nine Mile Ride Primary	4 places	
St Dominic Savio Catholic	5 places	
St Sebastian's CE Aided	9 places	
Wheatfield Primary	2 places	
Windmill Primary	10 places	Total: 59 places

(There were 63 places at a similar stage in 2013 including Piggott School but excluded Windmill, Wheatfield and Evendons Primary School, included in this year's figures).

School waiting lists are as follows: Aldryngton Primary – 69 children including 1 late designated area (DA) + 2 siblings outside DA; Bearwood Primary – 16 (including 1 late DA + 2 siblings outside DA); Beechwood Primary – 5; Colleton Primary – 2; Farley Hill Primary – 7, Finchampstead CE Aided Primary – 5, Grazeley Parochial CE Aided Primary – 4; Hatch Ride Primary – 2 (including 1 late DA); Hawkedon Primary – 13 (including 1 late DA + 4 siblings outside DA); Hawthorns Primary – 4 including 1 late designated area and 6 siblings living outside designated area; Hillside Primary – 14 including 2 late designated area; Keep Hatch Primary – 9; Lambs Lane Primary – 3 (including 1 sibling outside DA); Loddon Primary – 19 including 1 late DA and sibling; 4 late DA + 3 siblings outside DA; Oaklands Infant – 6; The Piggott – 7 (including 2 late DA); Polehampton CE Infant – 17 (including 15 DA); Radstock – 50; Robert Piggott CE Infant – 9 (includes 5 siblings outside DA); Shinfield Infant – 3; South Lake Primary – 13 (includes 1 late DA + 4 siblings outside DA); St Nicholas CE Aided Primary – 10 (includes 1 sibling outside DA); St Teresa's Catholic Primary – 5; Coombes CE Primary – 1 including 1 late DA; Walter Infant - 18; Wescott Infant – 17 including 7 siblings living outside DA; Whiteknights Primary – 4 (includes 1 late DA + 1 late sibling outside DA); Willow Bank Infant – 4; Winnersh Primary – 2 (including 1 late sibling) and Woodley CE Primary – 5 (includes 1 late DA).

The following schools are full but do not currently have a waiting list: Rivermead Primary School and Sonning CE Aided Primary School.

Appeals lodged to date (due to conclude on 14 July): Aldryngton - 8 (1 settled); Bearwood – 2; Beechwood – 1; Farley Hill – 2; Hawkedon – 7 (1 settled) Hillside – 3 Lambs Lane – 2 (1 settled); Loddon – 11; Polehampton – 8 (1 settled); Radstock – 1; Robert Piggott – 8 (1 settled); South Lake –4 (1 settled), St Nicholas -3; Wescott – 6; Willow Bank – 2 (1 settled); Woodley – 2 and Piggott – 2 (1 settled).

Appeals were also lodged for Colleton (1); The Coombes (1); Hatch Ride (1); Oaklands (1) and Winnersh (1) all of which have been settled.

Total: 64 appeals are to be heard.

There were 41 appeals pending at a similar stage in 2013.

100 late applications have been received to date.

List of Background Papers

Relevant regulations	
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