



THURROCK COUNCIL

LA SAINTE UNION
GRAYS CONVENT HIGH SCHOOL
AND LANGUAGE COLLEGE



ADMISSIONS POLICY 2012-2013

The number of intended admissions into Year 7 for the year commencing September 2012 will be 124 (the maximum standard number). Pupils will be admitted without reference to ability.

The Governors will consider all applications for admission to the School from girls who satisfy the following criteria, in the order of priority stated below:

1. 'Looked after' Catholic girls
2. Girls who are baptised members of the Catholic Church at the date of application. (Copy of Baptismal certificate or certificate of reception into the Catholic Church will be required)
3. Girls who are catechumens (copy of entry in Register of Catechumens will be required)
4. Other 'Looked after' girls
5. Girls who are pupils at a Catholic primary school at the time of application (The Governing Body will require confirmation)
6. Girls who have a sister in the school at the time of admission
7. Other Non-Catholic girls who are in sympathy with the aims and ethos of the school:
 - (i) Girls whose parents/carer(s) are seeking a place on compassionate grounds for a medical or social reason supported by a priest, doctor, social worker or education welfare officer which the Governing Body is satisfied makes attendance at the school highly desirable
 - (ii) Other Christian girls - a statement of membership from the minister of the appropriate church or chapel confirming that the child is a member of the religious community will be required
 - (iii) Girls of other faiths - a statement from the minister or religious leader confirming that the child is a member of the religious community will be required
 - (iv) Other girls

Oversubscription within the above criteria:

Should there be more applicants than places available in any of the above criteria, the above order of priority will remain. Applications within each criterion will then be given priority in the following order:

1. Girls with a sister who will continue to attend the school at the time of admission (see 'sister' under Definitions)

2. Girls living nearest the school (see 'distance' under Definitions)

The distance category will also be used to further distinguish between applicants within the same category.

DEFINITIONS

Sister: refers to sister, half sister, adopted sister, step sister or the child of the parent/carer's partner where the child for whom the school place is sought is living in the same family unit at the same address as the sister.

Christian: A follower of Christ and his teachings who can provide a statement of membership of their church/chapel from their registered religious leader.

DISTANCE

Distance from home to school will be measured in a straight line in metres by a digital mapping system. Straight line measurements from the front door of the home address to the front door of the main school building (using information provided by Thurrock LA) will be used.

ADMISSIONS OF TWINS, TRIPLETS OR OTHER PUPILS OF MULTIPLE BIRTHS

Where fewer places within a category can be offered than there are girls from multiple births living at a single address, the Governing Body has the discretion to treat this as an exceptional case and may admit all such girls in order not to split the family.

FRAUDULENT INFORMATION

In the case of fraudulent information being supplied, any place offered will be withdrawn.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

For further guidance and application deadlines see 'Thurrock's information for parents applying for a Secondary School place 2012-2013.'