

4 December 2023

To: Parents/Carers of Pupils at Wybunbury Delves CE Primary School

Consultation on Proposed Changes to Admission Criteria for September 2025

I write to make you aware of a proposed change to the admission criteria for Wybunbury Delves CE Primary School. The Chester Diocesan Academies Trust (CDAT) and the school governing body wish to consult on proposed changes to the school admissions policy including the oversubscription criteria to be used in the event of the receipt of more applications for places than can be provided. The Regulations and Code of Practice relating to school admissions require an admissions authority, CDAT in this case, to consult when proposing changes to their admissions arrangements.

You are receiving this letter as a parent/carer of a child at the school and in order that you are aware of the consultation process regarding the proposed change. It is important to make clear that none of change proposed will have any impact on children already in years Reception through to Y6.

Specific Proposal

The Trust and Local Governing Body wish to add a further criterion to the policy for Wybunbury Delves CE primary school. It is proposed that a new and additional criterion is added at criterion 5. This will specifically state: "Children attending Wybunbury Delves CE Primary's Preschool in the Autumn term of the admission period preceding their year of entry to Reception".

There are no other changes proposed to the oversubscription criteria. The school's planned admission number will remain as 30.

Subject to the outcome of this consultation process, this change will come into effect on 1 September 2025 and the existing admissions arrangements will remain in place until that time. Those children already with a place in the school will not experience any change to their admissions status as a result of this proposal. Some further information, including a copy of the proposed admissions policy in full, can be found at: www.cdat.co.uk/consultations/wybunbury-delves-ce-primary-school.html

How to Respond

The consultation period will run between 4 December 2023 and 26 January 2024 and you are invited to submit comments in writing about the proposal above to: Chester Diocesan Academies Trust, 5500 Daresbury Park, Daresbury, Warrington, WA4 4GE. Alternatively, you may wish to e-mail: chris.williams@cdat.co.uk. Comments should also be copied to the Chair of Governing Body at the school address. Following the consultation period the Board of Trustees for the Chester Diocesan Academies Trust will be required to formally determine the school admission arrangements for the academic year commencing September 2025 before 28 February 2024. Any subsequent objections will need to be made to the Office of the Schools Adjudicator by 15 May 2024.

Yours faithfully,



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