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Secondary School Admissions in South Lancashire 2027/28

This information should be read along with the main booklet
“Admissions to Lancashire Schools - Information for Parents 2027/28”

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The closing date for applications is
Thursday 31 October 2026

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Definitions for Voluntary Aided and Foundation Schools and Academies for Admission Purposes

The following terms used throughout this booklet are defined as follows, except where individual arrangements spell out a different definition.

Distance

The 'straight line' method of measurement only applies for admission purposes. For transport 'walking routes' are used to determine distance. Explanations of these terms can be found in the main booklet.

Parents/Family Members

A parent is any person who has parental responsibility or care of the child. Where admission arrangements refer to 'parent's attendance at church' it is sufficient for just one parent to attend. 'Family members' include only parents and siblings.

Medical/Social/Welfare

Where schools have a medical/social/welfare admission criterion then this should take into account the circumstances of the child and the family. Please note the Local Authority information in the main admissions booklet.

Looked After and Previously Looked After Children

The School Admissions Code [December 2021] states that within the oversubscription criteria, the highest priority **must** be given to looked after children and children who were looked after, but ceased to be so because they were adopted (or became subject to a residence order or special guardianship order).

This includes children who are legally adopted from overseas. Relevant, legal documents must be provided to evidence the adoption.

A 'looked after child' (1) or a child who was previously looked after but immediately after being looked after became subject to an adoption (2) child arrangements order (residency order) (3) or special guardianship order (4).

(1) A 'looked after child' is a child who is (a) in the care of a local authority, or (b) being provided with accommodation by a local authority in the exercise of their social services functions (see the definition in Section 22(1) of the Children Act 1989) at the time of making an application to a school.

(2) This includes children who were adopted under the Adoption Act 1976 (see section 12 adoption orders) and children who were adopted under the Adoption and Children Act 2002 (see section 46 adoption orders).

(3) Under the provisions of s.12 of the Children and Families Act 2014, which amend section 8 of the Children Act 1989, residence orders have now been replaced by child arrangements orders.

(4) See Section 14A of the Children Act 1989 which defines a 'special guardianship order' as an order appointing one or more individuals to be a child's special guardian (or special guardians).

Admission Authorities for faith schools may give priority to all looked after children and previously looked after children whether or not of the faith, but they must give priority to looked after children and previously looked after children of the faith before other children of the faith. Where any element of priority is given in relation to children not of the faith they must give priority to looked after children and previously looked after children not of the faith above other children not of the faith.

Church Attendance

In the event that during the period specified for attendance at worship the churches have been closed for public worship and have not provided alternative premises for that worship, the requirements of these admissions arrangements in relation to attendance will only apply to the period when the churches have been available for public worship. Each Lancashire Primary School and Academy has a published admission number which confirms its number of reception admissions each September. These will on occasion increase where strategic place planning issues allow and / or where decisions can be implemented in time for the effective co-ordination of the admission process.

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School Open Evenings Preston, South Ribble, West Lancashire and Chorley

PRESTON SECONDARY SCHOOLS

SCHOOL	For further details	PLANNED DATE
Fulwood Academy	School website	Wednesday 23rd September 2026 5pm-8pm
Broughton High School	School website	Thursday 17 th September 2026 6pm-8.30pm
Ashton Community Science College	School website	Thursday 24th September 2026 6pm-8.30 pm
Moor Park High School	School website	Tuesday 15 th September 2026 6pm-8.30 pm
Longridge High School	School website	Thursday 24th September 2026 6pm-8.30 pm.
St Cecilia's Roman Catholic High School	School website	Thursday 10th September 2026 5pm-7.30pm
Christ the King Catholic High School	School website	Thursday 24th September 2026 3.30pm-6.30pm
Our Lady's Catholic High School	School website	Thursday 1st October 2026 6pm-8.30pm
Corpus Christi Catholic High School	School website	Wednesday 16 th September 2026 6pm-8.30pm
Archbishop Temple School	School website	Please check the school website for up-to-date details.
Preston Muslim Girls High School	School website	Saturday 3 rd October 2026 10am-2pm
Eden Boys' School, Preston	School website	Thursday 1st October 2026 5pm-8pm

SOUTH RIBBLE SECONDARY SCHOOLS

SCHOOL	For further details	PLANNED DATE
Hutton Church of England Grammar School	School website	Please check the school website for up-to-date details.
All Hallows Catholic High School	School website	Thursday 24 th September 5pm
Penwortham Priory Academy	School website	Please check the school website for up-to-date details.
Penwortham Girls' High School	School website	Please check the school website for up-to-date details.
Lostock Hall Academy	School website	Thursday 24 th September 2026 4.30pm-7.30pm
Brownedge St Mary's Catholic High School	School website	Please check the school website for up-to-date details.
Walton-le-Dale High School	School website	Thursday 8th October 5pm-8pm.
St Mary's Catholic High School, Leyland	School website	Please check the school website for up-to-date details.
Wellfield Academy	School website	Please check the school website for up-to-date details.
Academy @ Worden	School website	Thursday 24 th September 5pm
Balshaw's Church of England High School	School website	Thursday 1st October 5.30pm-8.30pm

Policies are accurate at time of printing and are subject to change.
Parents are advised to look at the LCC website in case of change: www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools

Open Evening details are correct at the time of printing.
Parents are advised to check with the school or in the local press for any changes.

WEST LANCASHIRE SECONDARY SCHOOLS

SCHOOL	For further details	PLANNED DATE
Ormskirk School	School website	Thursday 17th September 2026 TBC
Burscough Priory Academy	School website	Tuesday 22nd September 2026 4pm-7pm
St Bede's Catholic High School	School website	Thursday 24th September 2026 6pm-8pm
Up Holland High School	School website	Thursday 1 st October 2026 5pm-7.30pm
Lathom High School	School website	Thursday 24th September 2026 4pm-7.30pm
Our Lady Queen of Peace Catholic Engineering College	School website	Tuesday 22nd September 2026
Tarleton Academy	School website	Wednesday 30th October 2026 4pm-8pm

CHORLEY SECONDARY SCHOOLS

SCHOOL	For further details	PLANNED DATE
Bishop Rawstorne Church of England Academy	School website	Thursday 24th September 2026 4pm-8pm
Parklands Academy	School website	Thursday 1st October 2026 5pm-8pm.
Southlands High School	School website	Please check the school website for up-to-date details.
Holy Cross Catholic High School	School website	Thursday 18th October 2026 4.30pm-7pm
Albany Academy	School website	Please check the school website for up-to-date details.
St Michael's Church of England High School	School website	Please check the school website for up-to-date details.

Secondary Schools in the Preston Area

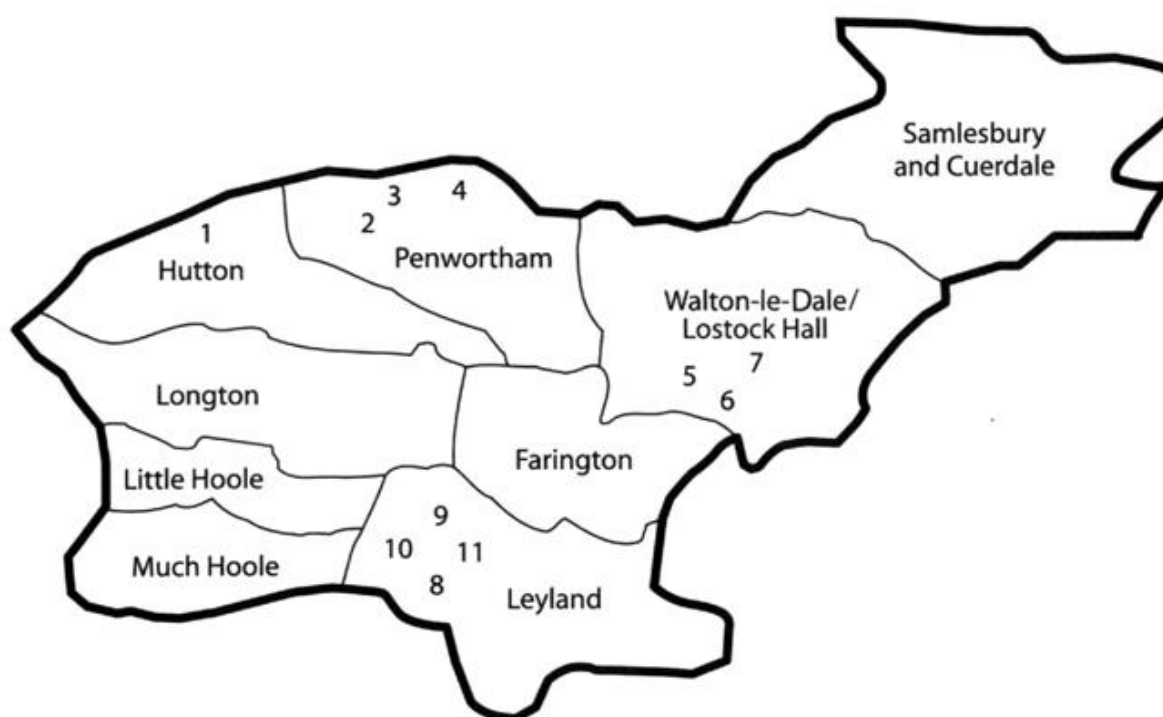
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8.	Our Lady's Catholic High School	Voluntary Aided	26
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10.	Archbishop Temple School	Voluntary Aided	21
11.	Preston Muslim Girls High School	Voluntary Aided	29
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5.	Lostock Hall Academy	Academy	35
6.	Brownedge St Mary's Catholic High School	Voluntary Aided	46
7.	Walton-le-Dale High School	Community	39
8.	St Mary's Catholic High School, Leyland	Voluntary Aided	44
9.	Wellfield High School	Community	40
10.	Academy@Worden	Academy	41
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5.	Albany Academy	Academy	55
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Information about Admission to Secondary Schools

This information is about secondary schools in Preston, South Ribble, West Lancashire and Chorley. Similar information about other areas is available from Area Education Offices listed on the first page of the booklet "Admissions to Lancashire Schools – Information for Parents". It is possible for you to state a preference for schools in different areas. You should, however, only submit one application form.

In this information, you will find brief details about each school including the admission number. This is the number of children who can be offered a place at the school in September 2027. Further information you may need is available if you contact either the school concerned or the Area Education Office.

Information provided about each school

You are given the basic details about each school – name, address, Headteacher's name etc, plus the total number of pupils who attend. You will be particularly interested in the number of places available for September 2027 – **the admission number**.

For Community and Voluntary Controlled Schools, there is additional information given below the main school details. This refers to the intake of pupils in September 2026. On the left-hand side, it states the number of places that were available for that year (i.e. the admission number) and the number of preferences that were received for the school.

For Voluntary Aided, Foundation, Free Schools and Academies similar information is given about the number of preferences expressed. You are also given some details of the admissions policy. This is individual to each school. Details about how the criteria were applied can be requested from the individual school.

For Voluntary Aided, Foundation, Free Schools and Academies please note that this booklet contains summaries of the policies only. You must approach the school for a copy of their full policy if you are thinking of applying.

Please note that for secondary schools in Lancashire's co-ordinated admission scheme, information is given about preferences expressed for 2026. Given the variety of Admission Authorities involved and additional schools outside the co-ordinated system, the figures may need further interpretation for individual schools.

Parents for whom the previous level of application is an important issue are advised to discuss the matter with the Admissions Team at the Area Education Office or with the individual school concerned.

Confirmation of Offers

For September 2027, offers will be confirmed online only for all those who apply on Lancashire's online system (this was around 95% of applicants for the previous year). For those who do not receive a first preference offer, links to reserve list and appeal forms will be available.

Lancashire's online system will go live on morning of 1 March 2027 to allow online applicants to view their school offer.

Letters will be issued by second class post on 1 March 2027 to any applicants who submit a paper form.

Apply online at www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools

Admission Policy & Criteria for Community and Voluntary Controlled Schools

(This can also apply to schools that are in transition to Academy status)

An admission number will be published showing the maximum number of pupils that the school will admit in the Autumn Term 2027. Parents are given the opportunity to express three preferences for a secondary school. Published criteria are used to decide which children should be offered the available places. In secondary schools an equal preference system operates, whereby the three parental preferences are given equal status. Each preference will be considered equally against the admissions criteria.

When a secondary school is oversubscribed the following priorities apply in order:

1. Looked after children or a child who was previously looked after, but immediately after being looked after became subject to an adoption, child arrangement order, or special guardianship order or those children who appear to the school to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted, 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. (See note (i) below) then
3. Children eligible for services premium, then
4. Children living within the school's geographical priority area with older brothers or sisters attending the school when the younger child will start, (see note iii below).
5. Children living within the school's geographical priority area, then
6. Children living outside the school's geographical priority area with older brothers or sisters still attending the school when the younger child will start (See note (iii) below) then
7. Children living outside the school's Geographical Priority Area (see note (iv) below).

- (i) The medical, social and welfare criterion will consider issues relevant to the child and/or the family. This category may include children without a statement who have special needs.
- (ii) As required by law, all children with a Statement of Special Educational Needs/EHC naming a school will be admitted before the application of the over-subscription criteria. Children who have a statement for special needs have their applications considered separately.
- (iii) Brothers and sisters include step-children, half brothers and sisters, fostered and adopted children living with the same family at the same address (consideration may be given to applying this criterion to full brothers and sisters who reside at different addresses). The priority does not apply to siblings whose brothers and sisters transferred into a sixth form at 16+.
- (iv) The distance criterion will be used as the tie breaker if there is oversubscription within any of the admission criteria; it is a straight line (radial) measure. If the Local Authority is unable to distinguish between applicants using the published criteria (e.g., Siblings, those living the same distance from home to school, or families residing in the same block of flats) places will be offered via a random draw. The distance measure is a straight-line measurement (radial) between the applicant's home address points and the address point of the school (co-ordinates provided by ordnance survey data).
- (v) A child's permanent address is the one where he/she normally lives and sleeps and goes to school from. Proof of residence may be requested at any time throughout the admission process, (including after a child has accessed a school place).
- (vi) The Local Authority will keep waiting lists for all Lancashire schools until 31 August 2027. These are kept in priority order using the school's published admission criteria. From 1 September 2027 for one school term only waiting lists will be retained by individual admission authorities (the Local Authority for community and voluntary controlled schools and individual voluntary aided and trust schools will each retain their own list).

- (vii) Children will not normally be able to start school other than at the beginning of the term unless they have moved into the area or there are exceptional circumstances.
- (viii) Applications for school places which are received late will not necessarily be dealt with at the same time as those received by the set deadline. The reasons for a late application may be requested and where these are not exceptional the relevant admission criteria will be initially applied to all others received on time. The late application will be dealt with after this process.

Application forms received after the published closing date, will only be considered at that time if the following conditions apply:

- (a) if the number of preferences received for the school is below the published admission number or:
- (b) there are extenuating circumstances justifying a late application.

These may include:

- (a) parents moving into the County after the closing date;
 - (b) parent/carer illness which required hospitalisation for the major part of the period between the publication of the composite prospectus and the closing date for applications.
- (ix) Where a child lives with one parent for part of the week and another for the rest of the week only one address will be accepted for a school admission application. This will normally be the one where the child wakes up for the majority of school days (Monday to Friday). Proof of residence may be requested at any time throughout the admissions process.
- (x) the highest priority **must** be given to looked after children¹ and children who were looked after, but ceased to be so because they were adopted² (or became subject to a residence order³ or special guardianship order⁴). Further references to previously looked after children in the Code means children who were adopted (or subject to residence orders or special guardianship orders) immediately following having been looked after. This includes children who are legally adopted from overseas. Relevant legal documents must be provided to evidence the adoption.

The Authority has a duty to co-ordinate admission arrangements for all Lancashire maintained schools.

The Authority will ensure that all Lancashire parents whose children are transferring to reception or Year 7 classes, receive the offer of one secondary or primary school place on the agreed date.

¹ A 'looked after child' is a child who is (a) in the care of a local authority, or (b) being provided with accommodation by a local authority in the exercise of their social services functions (see the definition in section 22(1) of the Children Act 1989).

² Under the terms of the Adoption and Children Act 2002. See section 46 (adoption orders).

³ Under the terms of the Children Act 1989. See section 8 which defines a 'residence order' as an order settling the arrangements to be made as to the person with whom the child is to live.

⁴ See section 14A of the Children Act 1989 which defines a 'special guardianship order' as an order appointing one or more individuals to be a child's special guardian (or special guardians).

Ashton Community Science College

Ashton Community Science College

Aldwych Drive
Ashton
Preston PR2 1SL
01772 513002

11-16 Mixed Comprehensive

Head: Ms J Hoyle

Number on Roll January 2026: 843

Admission Number: 175

Information relating to Autumn Term 2026 Year 7 Admissions:

Places available:		175
	1st	176
	2nd	101
	3rd	86
Total preferences received:		363

Initial allocation under each criterion:	
Education, Health & Care Plan	0
LAC and previously Looked After	4
Social/Medical/Welfare	1
Service Pupil Premium	0
In GPA with Sibling	42
In GPA no sibling	122
Out GPA with sibling	0
Out GPA no sibling	0
LA Allocated	0
Total	169

SUMMARY OF POLICY ▼ This is a Community School. Please see page 15 for details of how places are allocated in Community Schools.

Ashton Community Science College has SERF provision for deaf pupils. It also has a small unit for Speech, Communication and Language Needs (SLCN). A SERF is a Special Educational Resource Facility attached to the school. It provides extra resources for certain pupils who have additional needs. Pupils who use this resource will have an Educational Health Care Plan (EHCP) Pupils are allocated places in the SERF by the Area Inclusion and Disability Team. These places are in addition to the school's published admission number.

1. Looked after children or a child who was previously looked after, but immediately after being looked after became subject to an adoption, child arrangement order, or special guardianship order or those children who appear to the school to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted, 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 eligible for services premium, then,
4. Children living within the school's geographical priority area with older brothers or sisters attending the school when the younger child will start, then,
5. Children living within the school's geographical priority area, then,
6. Children living outside the school's geographical priority area with older brothers or sisters still attending the school when the younger child will start, then
7. Children living outside the school's geographical priority area.

The distance criterion will be used as the tie breaker if there is oversubscription within any of the admission criteria; it is a straight line (radial) measure.

If the Local Authority is unable to distinguish between applicants using the published criteria (eg. siblings, those living the same distance from home to school, or families residing in the same block of flats) places will be offered via a random draw.

The distance measure is a straight-line measurement (radial) between the applicant's home address and the address point of the school (co-ordinates provided by ordnance survey data).

GEOGRAPHICAL PRIORITY AREA ▼

Parishes of Ingol & Tanterton, Lea and Preston.*

* The Broadgate area bounded by the Preston dock branch railway line, the West Coast Main Line (railway line), the Penwortham Parish boundary (River Ribble) and Guild Way is not included.

* The area bounded by Lea Lane, Sidgreaves Lane, Hoyles Lane and the Woodplumpton parish boundary. This area is shared with Broughton HS Geographical Priority Area.

** The area bounded by the Woodplumpton parish boundary, the West Coast Main Line (railway line), and the B6241 (Lightfoot Lane/Tom Benson Way) in a westerly direction back to the Woodplumpton parish boundary. This area is shared with Broughton HS Geographical Priority Area.

TRANSPORT (YEARS 7-11) ▼ Please see *Information for Parents* booklet or <http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools>

Parents in any doubt over the distance between home and school for the provision of transport are asked to check with their local Area Education Office. This may be particularly relevant if you live close to a county border.

Broughton High School

Broughton High School

Woodplumpton Lane
Broughton
Preston PR3 5JJ
01772 863849

11-16 Mixed Comprehensive

Head: Mr D Botes

Number on Roll January 2026: 934

Admission Number: 180

Information relating to Autumn Term 2026 Year 7 Admissions:

Total parental preferences (considered equally)	1st	246
	2nd	269
	3rd	279
Total preferences received:		794

Initial allocation under each criterion:	
Education, Health & Care Plan	0
LAC and previously Looked After	3
Social/Medical/Welfare	3
Service Pupil Premium	0
In GPA with Sibling	41
In GPA no sibling	125
Out GPA with sibling	0
Out GPA no sibling	0
LA Allocated	0
Total	172

SUMMARY OF POLICY ▼ This is a Community School. Please see page 15 for details of how places are allocated in Community Schools.

1. Looked after children or a child who was previously looked after, but immediately after being looked after became subject to an adoption, child arrangement order, or special guardianship order or those children who appear to the school to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted, 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 eligible for services premium, then,
4. Children living within the school's geographical priority area with older brothers or sisters attending the school when the younger child will start, then,
5. Children living within the school's geographical priority area, then,
6. Children living outside the school's geographical priority area with older brothers or sisters still attending the school when the younger child will start, then
7. Children living outside the school's geographical priority area.

The distance criterion will be used as the tie breaker if there is oversubscription within any of the admission criteria; it is a straight line (radial) measure.

If the Local Authority is unable to distinguish between applicants using the published criteria (eg. siblings, those living the same distance from home to school, or families residing in the same block of flats) places will be offered via a random draw.

The distance measure is a straight-line measurement (radial) between the applicant's home address and the address point of the school (co-ordinates provided by ordnance survey data).

GEOGRAPHICAL PRIORITY AREA ▼

Parishes of Barton, Broughton, Inskip with Sowerby, Lea (part of*), Preston (part of**) and Woodplumpton

*The area bounded by Lea Lane, Sidgreaves Lane, Hoyles Lane and the Woodplumpton parish boundary. This area is shared with Ashton Community Science College's Geographical Priority Area.

**The area bounded by the Woodplumpton parish boundary, the West Coast Main Line (railway line), and the B6241 (Lightfoot Lane/Tom Benson Way) in a westerly direction back to the Woodplumpton parish boundary. This area is shared with Ashton Community Science College's Geographical Priority Area.

TRANSPORT (YEARS 7-11) ▼ Please see *Information for Parents* booklet or <http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools>

Parents in any doubt over the distance between home and school for the provision of transport are asked to check with their local Area Education Office. This may be particularly relevant if you live close to a county border.

Longridge High School

Longridge High School
Preston Road
Longridge
Preston PR3 3AR
01772 782316

11-16 Mixed Comprehensive
Head: Mr N Riley
Number on Roll January 2026: 812
Admission Number: 180

Information relating to Autumn Term 2026 Year 7 Admissions:

Total parental preferences (considered equally)	1st	132
	2nd	129
	3rd	68
Total preferences received:		329

Initial allocation under each criterion:	
Education, Health & Care Plan	1
LAC and previously Looked After	2
Social/Medical/Welfare	0
In GPA with Sibling	39
In GPA no sibling	71
Out GPA with sibling	22
Out GPA no sibling	39
LA Allocated	4
Total	177

SUMMARY OF POLICY ▼ This is an Academy. *Please contact the academy for full admission details.*

When the Academy is oversubscribed, after the admission of pupils with Education Health and Care Plans naming the Academy, priority for admission will be applied by the Trust:

1. Looked after children or a child who was previously looked after, but immediately after being looked after became subject to an adoption, child arrangement order, or special guardianship order or those children who appear to the school to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted, then
2. Children for whom the Governors accept that there are exceptional medical, social or welfare reasons which are directly relevant to the school concerned, then
3. Children eligible for Services Premium, then,
4. Children of staff, then
5. Children who attend a Bay Learning Trust Primary School, then
6. Children living within the school's geographical priority area with older brothers or sisters attending the school when the younger child will start, then
7. Children living within the school's geographical priority area, then
8. Children living outside the school's geographical priority area with older brothers or sisters still attending the school when the younger child will start, then
9. Children living outside the school's Geographical Priority Area, below.

Tie-breaker:

The distance criterion will be used as the tie breaker if there is oversubscription within any of the admission criteria; it is a straight line (radial) measure. If the Governors unable to distinguish between applicants using the published criteria (eg. siblings, those living the same distance from home to school, or families residing in the same block of flats) places will be offered via a random draw.

The distance measure is a straight line measurement (radial) between the applicant's home address points and the address point of the school (co-ordinates provided by ordnance survey data).

GEOGRAPHICAL PRIORITY AREA ▼

Parishes of Chipping, Goosnargh, Thornley with Wheatley, Whittingham, Haighton, Grimsargh, Longridge, Hothersall, Ribchester and Dutton.

Ribchester is in both Longridge and Ribblesdale School's Geographical Priority Areas.

TRANSPORT (YEARS 7-11) ▼ Please see *Information for Parents* booklet or <http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools>

Parents in any doubt over the distance between home and school for the provision of transport are asked to check with their local Area Education Office. This may be particularly relevant if you live close to a county border.

Archbishop Temple Church of England High School

Archbishop Temple Church of England High School

St Vincent's Road
Fulwood
Preston PR2 8RA
01772 717782

11-16 Mixed Comprehensive

Head: Mr I Catlow

Number on Roll January 2026: 892

Admission Number: 210

Information relating to Autumn Term 2026 Year 7 Admissions:

Total parental preferences (considered equally)	1st	98
	2nd	214
	3rd	251
Total preferences received:		563

SUMMARY OF POLICY ▼ This is a Voluntary Aided school. Please contact the school for full admission details

In the event that there are more applicants than places, after admitting all children with a statement of educational need naming the school, the governing body will allocate places using the criteria below, which are listed in order of priority.

- a) Looked after children and previously looked after children. This includes children who appear to have been in state care outside of England and have ceased to be in state care due to be adopted.
 - b) Children with special medical or social circumstances affecting the child where these needs can only be met at this school. Professional supporting evidence from, for example, a doctor, psychologist, or social worker, is essential if admission is to be made under the criterion for special medical or social circumstances, and such evidence must set out the particular reasons why the school in question is the most suitable school and the difficulties which would be caused if the child had to attend another school.
- Children of staff who have been employed by Archbishop Temple School for two years prior to the closing date for applications, or where the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. This applies to all staff, full and part time, who are employed by the school.
- Children who have attended our partner primary schools will be allocated a maximum of 40 places as outlined below:
 - A maximum of 10 children who attend Ashton-on-Ribble St Andrew's Church of England Primary School at the time of application
 - A maximum of 10 children who attend Broughton-in-Amounderness Church of England Primary School at the time of application
 - A maximum of 10 children who attend Fulwood, St Peter's Church of England Primary School at the time of application
 - A maximum of 10 children who attend Grimsargh St Michael's Church of England Primary School at the time of application

Where there are more applicants than the available places within this category, then applications will be ranked firstly on church attendance as in category 4, then the distance between the Ordnance Survey address points for Archbishop Temple school and the home measured in a straight line will be used as the final determining factor, nearer addresses having priority over more distant ones.

- Worship in a church which is in full membership of Churches Together in England or the Free Churches Group or the Evangelical Alliance.

The lists of Churches can be found on the Churches Together in England Website at www.cte.org.uk; and for the Free Churches Group at www.freechurches.org.uk; and for the Evangelical Alliance at www.eauk.org.

- (a) Children who have a parent/carer who has attended public worship in a Christian church at least fortnightly for two years leading up to the 1st September 2026.
- (b) Children who have a parent/carer who has attended public worship in a Christian church at least fortnightly for one year leading up to the 1st September 2026.

- (c) Children who have a parent/carer who has attended public worship in a Christian church monthly for one year leading up to the 1st September 2026.

The governors will require confirmation of this from the relevant member of the clergy. Parents/carers should ensure that clergy have responded to this request. Parents/carers who have changed their place of worship within the previous two-year period should seek verification from all who can vouch for them, to be submitted together with the supplementary information form.

In the event that during the period specified for attendance at worship the church [or, in relation to those of other faiths, relevant place of worship] has been closed for public worship and has not provided alternative premises for that worship, the requirements of these [admissions] arrangements in relation to attendance will only apply to the period when the church [or in relation to those of other faiths, relevant place of worship] or alternative premises have been available for public worship.

Within each subsection A, B, C of this category, the distance between the Ordnance Survey address points for the Archbishop Temple Church of England High School and the home measured in a straight line will be used as the final determining factor, nearer addresses having priority over more distant ones. In all cases, home is defined at the place where the child wakes up for the majority of Monday to Friday mornings. Children who are not admitted under these criteria will be re classified under each subsequent category that applies to them.

5. Other children

Remaining places shall be allocated to other children whose parents/carers wish them to attend the school with the determining factor being distance from school, nearer addresses having priority over more distant ones.

Where there are more applicants than the available places within any of the categories, then the distance between the Ordnance Survey address points for the school and the home measured in a straight line will be used as the final determining factor, nearer addresses having priority over more distant ones. This address point is within the body of the property and usually located at its centre. Where the cut off point is for addresses within the same building, then the single measure between address points will apply and the Local Authority's system of a random draw will determine which address(es) receive the offer(s). This will also be the case for applications from different addresses which are exactly the same distance from school.

For the avoidance of doubt, matters which the Governors do not take into account in the allocation of places include the following:

- (a) Attendance at church as part of normal school activity
- (b) Whether a child is confirmed or being prepared for confirmation
- (c) Whether a child is baptised
- (d) Academic abilities
- (e) The presence of a sibling in the school.

TRANSPORT (YEARS 7-11) ▼ Please see *Information for Parents* booklet or <http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools>

Parents in any doubt over the distance between home and school for the provision of transport are asked to check with their local Area Education Office. This may be particularly relevant if you live close to a county border.

Christ the King Catholic High School

Christ the King Catholic High School
Lawrence Avenue
Frenchwood, Preston PR1 4PR
01772 252072

11-16 Mixed Comprehensive
Head: Mrs C Jones
Number on Roll January 2026: 448
Admission Number: 100

Information relating to Autumn Term 2026 Year 7 Admissions:

Total parental preferences (considered equally)	1st	78
	2nd	61
	3rd	78
Total preferences received:		217

SUMMARY OF POLICY ▼ This is an Academy. *Please contact the academy for full admission details.*

1. Baptised Catholic looked after children or children who were previously looked after but immediately after being looked after became subject to an adoption, child arrangement order, or special guardianship order or those children who appear to the school to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted.
2. Baptised Catholic children who live in the parishes of St John XXIII (covering the former parishes of St Augustine, St Ignatius, St Joseph and St Teresa), St Walburge, St Wilfrid with a sibling in the school at the time of expected admission and attend an associated primary school.
3. Baptised Catholic children who live in the parishes of St John XXIII (covering the former parishes of St Augustine, St Ignatius, St Joseph and St Teresa), St Walburge, St Wilfrid with a sibling in the school at the time of expected admission.
4. Other Baptised Catholic children who live in the parishes of St John XXIII (covering the former parishes of St Augustine, St Ignatius, St Joseph and St Teresa), St Walburge, St Wilfrid and attend an associated primary school.
5. Other Baptised Catholic children who live in the parishes of St John XXIII (covering the former parishes of St Augustine, St Ignatius, St Joseph and St Teresa), St Walburge, St Wilfrid.
6. Other Baptised Catholic children with a sibling in the school at the time of expected admission.
7. Other Baptised Catholic children.
8. Other looked after children or a child who was previously looked after, but immediately after being looked after became subject to an adoption, child arrangement order, or special guardianship order or those children who appear to the school to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted.
9. Other children with a sibling in school at the time of expected admission and attend an associated primary school.
10. Other children with a sibling in school at the time of expected admission.
11. Other children.

Associated schools are:

- St Augustine's Catholic Primary School
- St Ignatius' Catholic Primary School
- St Joseph's Catholic Primary School
- St Teresa's Catholic Primary School

In the event of oversubscription in any of the above criteria places will be allocated according to the following tie breaker criterion:

Applicants living nearest to the school. The distance measure is a straight line (radial) measure from the centre of the building that is the applicant's home address to the centre of school building. Distances are measured using the Councils' Geographic Information System.

If the Governing Body is unable to distinguish between applicants in any of the oversubscription criteria using this distance tie breaker (e.g. applicants in the same block of flats) places will be offered via a random draw.

TRANSPORT (YEARS 7-11) ▼ Please see *Information for Parents* booklet or <http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools>

Parents in any doubt over the distance between home and school for the provision of transport are asked to check with their local Area Education Office. This may be particularly relevant if you live close to a county border.

Corpus Christi Catholic High School

Corpus Christi Catholic High School
St Vincent's Road
Fulwood
Preston PR2 8QY
01772 716912

11-16 Mixed Comprehensive
Head: Mr J Hankin
Number on Roll January 2026: 813
Admission Number: 160

Information relating to Autumn Term 2026 Year 7 Admissions:

Total parental preferences (considered equally)	1st	284
	2nd	347
	3rd	268
Total preferences received:		899

SUMMARY OF POLICY ▼ This is a Voluntary Aided school. *Please contact the school for full admission details*

1. Catholic looked after children or a child who was previously looked after, but immediately after being looked after became subject to an adoption, child arrangement order, or special guardianship order or those children who appear to the school to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted.
2. Catholic children who attend a feeder Catholic primary school, namely, The Blessed Sacrament, English Martyrs', St Clare's, St Gregory's or St Maria Goretti's.
3. Other Catholic children having a brother or sister already at the school in the September of the year of admission.
4. Other Catholic children.
5. Other looked after children or a child who was previously looked after, but immediately after being looked after became subject to an adoption, child arrangement order, or special guardianship order or those children who appear to the school to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted.
6. The children of staff employed at the school for two or more years, or who have been recruited to meet a school skills shortage.
7. Children of other Christian denominations and children of other faiths whose membership is evidenced by a minister of religion or other religious leader, having a brother or sister already at the school in the September of the year of admission.
8. Children of other Christian denominations and children of other faiths whose membership is evidenced by a minister of religion or other religious leader.
9. Any other children having a brother or sister already at the school in the September of the year of admission.
10. Any other children who attend feeder primary schools.
11. All other children.

In the event of applications exceeding the number of places in any of the above categories, the following tie-breaker will apply:

If there are more children in any of the individual categories than there are places remaining, then those pupils who live nearest to the school by a straight line (radial) measure, will have priority. The distance is measured using a geographical information system and the measurement is taken from the centre point of the property to the centre point of the school.

In the event of a tied distance measurement between address points the Local Authority's system of a random draw will determine which address(es) receive the offer(s).

TRANSPORT (YEARS 7-11) ▼ Please see *Information for Parents* booklet or <http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools>

Parents in any doubt over the distance between home and school for the provision of transport are asked to check with their local Area Education Office. This may be particularly relevant if you live close to a county border.

Parents may wish to know that Corpus Christi Catholic High School has organised its own travel arrangements with Preston Bus which will be less costly for parents than the Local Authority package. Please contact the school for details.

Our Lady's Catholic High School

Our Lady's Catholic High School

St Anthony's Drive
Fulwood
Preston PR2 3SQ
01772 326900

11-16 Mixed Comprehensive

Head: Mr R Charnock

Number on Roll January 2026: 905

Admission Number: 180

Information relating to Autumn Term 2026 Year 7 Admissions:

Total parental preferences (considered equally)	1st	168
	2nd	212
	3rd	257
Total preferences received:		637

SUMMARY OF POLICY ▼ This is a Voluntary Aided school. Please contact the school for full admission details

1. Looked after Children and previously looked after Children. This includes Children who appear to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in states care as a result of being adopted.
2. Catholic children living in a nominated parish and attending an associated primary school
3. Catholic children living in a nominated parish and attending other Catholic primary schools
4. Catholic children attending an associated primary school
5. Catholic children living in a nominated parish
6. Catholic children having a brother or sister already in attendance at the school in the September of the year of admission
7. Catholic children who attend other Catholic primary schools
8. Non-Catholic children having a brother or sister already in attendance at the school in the September of the year of admission
9. Non-Catholic children who attend an associated primary school
10. Other Catholic children
11. Children of members of staff who have been employed at the school for at least 2 years or employed due to a skills shortage.
12. Children of other faiths who show written evidence of commitment to that faith
13. All other children

If the acceptance of all the children in a given criterion were to take the number of places offered to above the admission number, then places will be offered first to those pupils living nearest to the school by a straight line (radial) measure. The distance will be measured using the Lancashire County Council's geographical information system, the measurement being taken from the central point of the property to the central point of the school until the admission number is reached. In the event of a tied distance measurement between address points the Local Authority's system of a random draw will determine which address(es) receive the offer(s).

Parishes and Primary Schools

Our Lady's serves, in the first instance, the Catholic community living in the nominated parishes (set out below) or attending their associated primary schools:

Holy Family – Ingol and St Anthony's – Fulwood
Our Lady and St Edwards – Fulwood
St John Paul II – Ashton
St Andrew's – Cottam and St Mary's – Lea Town
Saint Mary's – Fernyhalgh

St Mary's, Newhouse – Barton
Hill Chapel – Goosnargh
Saint Mary and St Michael's – Garstang
Saint Robert's – Catforth
Saint Thomas' – Cloughton

TRANSPORT (YEARS 7-11) ▼ Please see *Information for Parents* booklet or <http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools>

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St Cecilia's Roman Catholic High School

St Cecilia's Roman Catholic High School
Chapel Hill
Longridge
Preston PR3 2XA
01772 783074

11-16 Mixed Comprehensive
Head: Mrs H Hall
Number on Roll January 2026: 581
Admission Number:120

Information relating to Autumn Term 2026 Year 7 Admissions:

Total parental preferences (considered equally)	1st	129
	2nd	120
	3rd	73
Total preferences received:		422

SUMMARY OF POLICY ▼ This is a Voluntary Aided school. Please contact the school for full admission details

Admissions will be in accordance with the following criteria:

1. Looked after children or a child who was previously looked after, but immediately after being looked after became subject to an adoption, child arrangement order, or special guardianship order or those children who appear to the school to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted
2. Roman Catholic pupils with special medical circumstances where these needs, can only be met at this school.
3. Roman Catholic pupils, living in a contributory Parish:
 - Chipping – St. Mary's
 - Alston Lane – Our Lady and St. Michael's
 - Longridge – St. Wilfrid's
 - Ribchester – St. Peter and St. Paul's
4. Roman Catholic pupils, attending an associated Catholic primary school:
 - Chipping – St. Mary's
 - Alston Lane – Our Lady and St. Michael's
 - Longridge – St. Wilfrid's
5. Roman Catholic pupils, who attend **St Francis, Hill Chapel Primary School**.
6. Other Roman Catholic pupils, who have a brother or sister at the school.
7. Other Roman Catholic pupils, in other Catholic primary schools.
8. Other Roman Catholic pupils.
9. Non-Catholic pupils, who have a Catholic brother or sister in the school.
10. Other Non-Catholic pupils with proven and exceptional medical and social needs where admission to the school might best help satisfy those exceptional needs, providing that such application is submitted with appropriate evidence or reports.
11. Non-Catholic pupils attending Catholic primary schools.
12. Other Christian Pupils
13. All other children.

If category 1, 2, 3 or 4 is over-subscribed, places will be allocated by reference to subsequent categories in order; for example, if category 1 is over-subscribed children who satisfy both categories 1 and 2 will have priority over children who satisfy only category 1.

If any of the categories is over-subscribed, places will be allocated first to children living nearest to the school. Distance will be measured using a computerised measuring system from the address point of the school (centre of the building) to the address point of the child's home (centre of the building).

In the event of a tied distance measurement between address points the Local Authority's system of a random draw will determine which address(es) receive the offer(s).

TRANSPORT (YEARS 7-11) ▼ Please see *Information for Parents* booklet or <http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools>

Parents in any doubt over the distance between home and school for the provision of transport are asked to check with their local Area Education Office. This may be particularly relevant if you live close to a county border.

Preston Muslim Girls High School

Preston Muslim Girls High School
The Crescent Building
Deepdale Mill Street
Preston PR1 5BY
01772 651906

11-16 Girls School
Principal: Mr R Patel
Number on Roll January 2026: 607
Admission Number: 120

Information relating to Autumn Term 2026 Year 7 Admissions:

Total parental preferences (considered equally)	1st	142
	2nd	41
	3rd	26
Total preferences received:		209

SUMMARY OF POLICY ▼ This is a Voluntary Aided school. Please contact the school for full admission details

- 1) Looked after girls who were previously looked after, but immediately after being looked after became subject to an adoption, child arrangements or a special guardianship order or those girls who appear to the school to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted.
- 2) Daughters of staff employed at PMGHS for two or more years at the time when the application is made and is still employed at the time of admission. Also, daughters of members of staff who have been recruited to fill a post where there is a demonstrable skill shortage. This applies to all staff, (full and part time) who are employed by the school. Applications under this category must fill the school's supplementary information form.
- 3) Girls with a sibling who is a pupil attending PMGHS at the time of application. Applications under this category must fill the school's supplementary information form.
- 4) Girls who attend our affiliated primary school- The Olive School Preston. Applications under this category must fill the school's supplementary information form.
- 5) Muslim girls who have exceptionally strong special, medical or social circumstances, which are directly relevant to attendance at PMGHS. Applications under this category must fill the school's supplementary information form. Girls offered a place under EHCP and categories 1-5 are allocated places from the table outlined below.
- 6) Muslim girls who themselves or their parents regularly attend a Masjid/Madrasah from the list below, showing a commitment to faith. Applications under this category must fill the school's supplementary information form.

Quwwatul-ul-Islam Masjid and Education Centre 17 Spaces	Maahadus Shuhada 9 Spaces	Masjid-e-Falah/ Madrasah Taleemul Quran 4 Spaces	Masjid-e-Noor/ Madrasah Noor-e-Raza 6 Spaces	Raza Mosque 3 Spaces
Madani Institute 3 Spaces	Madrasa-E-Talimul Islam/ Eldon Street 2 Spaces	Masjid Salaam/ Madrasah Hidayatul Islam 10 Spaces	Al-Ansaar Welfare & Education/ Madrasah Tajweedul Quran/ The Suffah Institute 8 Spaces	Darul Arqam Education and Tarbiyah 5 Spaces
Jamea Masjid/ Madrasah Taleemul Islam 13 Spaces	Imam Muhammad Zakariya 4 Spaces	Al-Huda Education Academy Madrasah / Kashiful-UI-Uloom 5 Spaces	Masjid-e-Aqsa 3 Spaces	Masjid-e-Quba/ Madrasah Takweeyatul Iman 4 Spaces
Madina Masjid/ Madrasah Naqeebul Islam 7 Spaces	Zakariyya Masjid 3 Spaces	Masjid-e-Saliheen 2 Spaces	City Mosque/ Al Furqan Islamic School 4 Spaces	

- 7) Girls who have a parent/carer of other Masjid/Madrasah and regularly attend public worship in Preston. Applications under this category must fill the school's SIF (See note 7)
- 8) Girls who have a parent/carer of other Masjid/Madrasah and regularly attend public worship outside of Preston. Applications under this category must fill the school's SIF (See note 7)
- 9) Girls who have a parent/carer of other faiths and regularly attend public worship. Applications under this category must fill the school's SIF (See note 8)

- 10) All remaining applications will be considered under the distance criteria and priority will be given to those girls who live closest to the school.

The distance will be measured in a straight-line using the distance between the Ordnance Survey address points for the school and the home which will be measured in a straight line and will be the determining factor. This address point will be within the body of the property and usually located at its centre

Where the cut-off point is for addresses within the same building, then the single measure between address points will apply and a random draw will determine which address(es) receive the offer(s).

TRANSPORT ▼ . Please see *Information for Parents* booklet or <http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools>

Parents in any doubt over the distance between home and school for the provision of transport are asked to check with their local Area Education Office. This may be particularly relevant if you live close to a county border

Moor Park High School

Moor Park High School & Sixth Form
Moor Park Avenue
Preston PR1 6DT
01772 795428

11-16 Foundation School
Head: Ms U Ishtiaq
Number on Roll January 2026: 582
Admission Number: 130

Information relating to Autumn Term 2026 Year 7 Admissions:

Total parental preferences (considered equally)	1st	146
	2nd	170
	3rd	143
Total preferences received:		459

SUMMARY OF POLICY ▼ This is a Foundation school. *Please contact the school for full admission details*

Fair Banding

At Moor Park High School we operate a 'Fair Banding' admissions process to ensure we have a balanced proportion of students from across the whole ability range - a comprehensive intake. Students who wish to apply for a place in year 7 must take a Fair Banding assessment to be considered for admission to the school. The school uses a non-verbal assessment, which is not a pass or fail test. Students are asked to take it and their scores on the assessment are then used to place them in an ability band.

All applications received that are not allocated through the fair banding process will be considered using the school's oversubscription criteria, after the initial fair banded applications are processed.

More details on Fair Banding and assessment dates can be found on the school website.

Oversubscription

Where there are more applicants than places available in any band, places will be allocated according to the following criteria. The following criteria will be applied in number order after the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) naming our school.

1. Looked after children or a child who was previously looked after, but immediately after being looked after became subject to an adoption, child arrangement order, or special guardianship order or those children who appear to the school to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted.
2. Children with special medical or social circumstances affecting the child where these needs can only be met at Moor Park. To meet this criterion written evidence from an appropriate professional, such as a doctor, psychologist or social worker is required for the governors to consider medical, social or welfare reasons for admission. This should accompany the application form. Please note: only exceptional reasons associated with the child/or family and relating to the suitability of the school, are normally accepted in this criterion, for example, where these needs can only be met at this school.
3. Children who will have a sibling in attendance at Moor Park in years 7 to 11 at the time of admission. The term 'sibling' includes brothers and sisters, stepchildren, half brothers and sisters and adopted and fostered children who are living at the same address.
4. Children with a parent employed by the School on a permanent contract either full or part-time at the date of application.
5. Proximity to school. The measurement used will be taken in a straight line from the centre point of the residence to the centre point of Moor Park, with nearer addresses having priority over more distant ones.

Tiebreaker The measurement used will be taken in a straight line from the centre point of the residence to the centre point of Moor Park, with nearer addresses having priority over more distant ones. If the Governors are able to distinguish between applicants using the published criteria (eg siblings, those living the same distance from home to school, or families residing in the same block of flats) places will be offered via random draw.

TRANSPORT (YEARS 7-11) ▼ Please see *Information for Parents* booklet or <http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools>

Parents in any doubt over the distance between home and school for the provision of transport are asked to check with their local Area Education Office. This may be particularly relevant if you live close to a county border.

Eden Boys' School, Preston

Eden Boys' School, Preston

Universal House
Preston PR1 4BD
01772 926000

www.edenboyspreston.com
info@ebpreston.staracademies.org

11-18 Free School

Principal: Ms A Middlemass

Number on Roll January 2026: 616

Admission Number: 124

Information relating to Autumn Term 2026 Year 7 Admissions:

Total parental preferences (considered equally)	1st	118
	2nd	49
	3rd	34
Total preferences received:		201

Eden Boys' School, Preston is part of the Star Academies. The Trust has devolved responsibility for admissions to the Local Governing Body of Eden Boys' School.

Eden Boys' School is an 11-18 progressive and inclusive Muslim faith school rated as 'outstanding' by Ofsted.

SUMMARY OF POLICY ▼ This is a Free school. Please contact the school for full admission details

Oversubscription criteria

1. Looked after children or a child who was previously looked after, but immediately after being looked after became subject to an adoption, child arrangement order, or special guardianship order or those children who appear to the school to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted.
2. Children of staff employed at Eden Boys' School for 2 or more years at the time at which the application for admission is made, and / or the member of staff has been recruited to fill a post where there is a demonstrable skill shortage
3. Children attending The Olive School, Preston at the time of application and offer of a place.
4. Children with proven, exceptionally strong special, medical or social circumstances, which are directly relevant to attendance at Eden Boys' School.

Parents are responsible for providing the professional supporting evidence to the school by the closing date from a consultant, doctor, psychologist, social worker or from another relevant independent professional

5. Children with a sibling attending Eden Boys' School in Years 7 to 11 at the time of application and offer of a place
6. All other children who live nearest from home to school

Tiebreaker

LCC measures the distance in a straight line (radial) between the applicant's home address point and the address point of the school (co-ordinates provided by ordnance survey data).

Children who live nearest from home to school will receive priority for any criteria that are oversubscribed. If the distance between home and school is the same, which includes the same geographical property reference (such as a block of flats), random allocation is used as a tie-breaker. Lancashire County Council's School Admissions Team will undertake the random allocation process in the presence of a school representative at the Council Offices.

TRANSPORT (YEARS 7-11) ▼ Please see *Information for Parents* booklet or <http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools>

Parents in any doubt over the distance between home and school for the provision of transport are asked to check with their local Area Education Office. This may be particularly relevant if you live close to a county border.

Fulwood Academy

Fulwood Academy
Black Bull Lane
Fulwood
Preston PR2 9YR
01772 719060

11-16 Mixed Comprehensive
Principal: Mr A Galbraith
Number on Roll January 2026: 979
Admission Number: 200

Information relating to Autumn Term 2026 Year 7 Admissions:

Total parental preferences (considered equally)	1st	139
	2nd	142
	3rd	177
Total preferences received:		458

SUMMARY OF POLICY ▼ This is an Academy. *Please contact the academy for full admission details.*

- Looked after children or a child who was previously looked after, but immediately after being looked after became subject to an adoption, child arrangement order, or special guardianship order or those children who appear to the school to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted
- Children for whom, in the opinion of professional experts, there are exceptionally strong medical, social or welfare reasons for admission associated with the child and/or family which are directly relevant to Fulwood Academy. This may include some non-statemented students who have special educational needs.
- Children who will have a sibling in attendance at Fulwood Academy at the time of transfer.
- Other pupils with priority given to those that live nearest to Fulwood Academy. The measurement will be taken in a straight line from the centre point of the residence to the centre point of the Academy, using the Lancashire Local Authority's geographical information system (G.I.S.).

If the Governors are unable to distinguish between applicants using the published criteria places will be offered via a random draw.

TRANSPORT (YEARS 7-11) ▼ Please see *Information for Parents* booklet or <http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools>

Parents in any doubt over the distance between home and school for the provision of transport are asked to check with their local Area Education Office. This may be particularly relevant if you live close to a county border.

Balshaw's Church of England High School

Balshaw's Church of England High School
Church Road
Leyland PR25 3AH
01772 421009

11-16 Mixed Comprehensive
Head: Mr S Haycocks
Number on Roll January 2026: 922
Admission Number: 185

Information relating to Autumn Term 2026 Year 7 Admissions:

Total parental preferences (considered equally)	1st	206
	2nd	223
	3rd	201
Total preferences received:		636

Initial allocation under each criterion:	
Education, Health & Care Plan	6
LAC and previously Looked After	8
Social/Medical/Welfare	5
In GPA with Sibling	59
In GPA no Sibling	107
Total	185

SUMMARY OF POLICY ▼ This is a Voluntary Controlled School. Please see page 15 for details of how places are allocated in Community Schools.

1. Looked after children or a child who was previously looked after, but immediately after being looked after became subject to an adoption, child arrangement order, or special guardianship order or those children who appear to the school to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted, 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 eligible for services premium, then,
4. Children living within the school's geographical priority area with older brothers or sisters attending the school when the younger child will start, then,
5. Children living within the school's geographical priority area, then,
6. Children living outside the school's geographical priority area with older brothers or sisters still attending the school when the younger child will start, then
7. Children living outside the school's geographical priority area.

The distance criterion will be used as the tie breaker if there is oversubscription within any of the admission criteria; it is a straight line (radial) measure.

If the Local Authority is unable to distinguish between applicants using the published criteria (eg. siblings, those living the same distance from home to school, or families residing in the same block of flats) places will be offered via a random draw.

The distance measure is a straight-line measurement (radial) between the applicant's home address and the address point of the school (co-ordinates provided by ordnance survey data).

GEOGRAPHICAL PRIORITY AREA ▼

Parishes of Brindle (part of*), Clayton-le-Woods, Cuerden, Euxton (part of**) and Leyland (part of***), Buckshaw Village

*The part of the parish to the south of the M65 motorway

**The part of the parish to the north of the Chorley to Manchester railway line

***The area to the east of Worden Lane, St Andrews Way and Towngate. The area to the south of King Street and Leyland Way

TRANSPORT (YEARS 7-11) ▼ Please see *Information for Parents* booklet or <http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools>

Parents in any doubt over the distance between home and school for the provision of transport are asked to check with their local Area Education Office. This may be particularly relevant if you live close to a county border.

Lostock Hall Academy

Lostock Hall Academy
Todd Lane North
Lostock Hall
Preston PR5 5UR
01772 336293

11-16 Mixed Comprehensive
Principal: Mrs J Butterworth
Number on Roll January 2026: 760
Admission Number: 155

Information relating to Autumn Term 2026 Year 7 Admissions:

Total parental preferences (considered equally)	1st	190
	2nd	134
	3rd	120
Total preferences received:		444

SUMMARY OF POLICY ▼ This is an Academy. *Please contact the academy for full admission details.*

The criteria to be used to allocate places when the Academy is oversubscribed are:

- 1) Looked after children or a child who was previously looked after, but immediately after being looked after became subject to an adoption, child arrangement order, or special guardianship order or those children who appear to the school to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted then,
- 2) Children for whom the Trustees accept, based on the written opinion of professional experts that there are exceptional medical, social or welfare reasons associated with the child or family that are directly relevant to Lostock Hall Academy; then
- 3) Children of staff who are employed by Lostock Hall Academy on either a full or part time basis when:
 - a) the member of staff has been employed by Lostock Hall Academy for 2 years or more
 - b) the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage.
- 4) Children with older brothers or sisters (including adopted and fostered siblings, step siblings and those living as siblings in the same family unit) attending the Academy at the date of the younger child's admission.
- 5) Higher priority will be given to the children living within the District Council wards of Coupe Green and Gregson Lane that lie within the geographical priority area (super GPA) up to a maximum of 15 students.
- 6) Children living within the Academy's geographical priority area (GPA).
- 7) Children living outside the Academy's geographical priority area.

Distance Measure If there are more children in any of the individual categories than there are places remaining, then those children who live nearest to the school by a straight line (radial) measure will have priority. The distance is measured using a geographical information system and the measurement is taken from the centre point of the Academy to the centre point of the home (see note (i) below).

Tie Breaker If the Trustees are unable to distinguish between applicants using the published criteria places will be offered via a random draw.

GEOGRAPHICAL PRIORITY AREA ▼

Starting at the point where the M6 motorway crosses the Preston boundary (River Ribble); Follow the M6 motorway south to the A675; Follow the A675 east until the B5256 (Sandy Lane); Follow Sandy Lane until it meets Marsh Lane; Follow Marsh Lane, until it crosses the M65 motorway; Follow the M65 motorway heading west, until meeting the M6 motorway; Follow the M6 motorway south until it crosses Lydiat Lane; Follow Lydiat Lane in a clockwise direction until it meets Stanifield Lane; Follow Stanifield Lane in an anticlockwise direction until you meet Centurion Way; Follow Centurion Way, until you meet Wheelton Lane; Follow Wheelton Lane as far as the Farington Parish Boundary; Follow the Farington Parish boundary in a clockwise direction, as far as Penwortham Way; Follow Penwortham Way in an anticlockwise direction until the end of the Southbound/Eastbound layby. Follow the footpath from the layby to the end of Bee Lane; Follow Bee Lane in a clockwise direction until it meets the train line; Follow the train line until it meets the River Ribble; Follow the River back to the start point.

Parents in any doubt over the distance between home and school for the provision of transport are asked to check with their local Area Education Office. This may be particularly relevant if you live close to a county border.

Penwortham Girls' High School

Penwortham Girls' High School
Cop Lane
Penwortham
Preston PR1 0SR
01772 743399

11-16 Girls Comprehensive
Head: Mrs S Hall
Number on Roll January 2026: 799
Admission Number: 160

Information relating to Autumn Term 2026 Year 7 Admissions:

Total parental preferences (considered equally)	1st	159
	2nd	190
	3rd	132
Total preferences received:		481

Initial allocation under each criterion:	
LAC and previously Looked After	3
Social/Medical/Welfare	1
In GPA with Sibling	12
In GPA no sibling	69
Out GPA with sibling	15
Out GPA no sibling	60
Total	160

SUMMARY OF POLICY ▼ This is a Community School. Please see page 15 for details of how places are allocated in Community Schools.

- 1) Looked after children or a child who was previously looked after, but immediately after being looked after became subject to an adoption, child arrangement order, or special guardianship order or those children who appear to the school to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted, 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 eligible for services premium, then,
- 4) Children living within the school's geographical priority area with older brothers or sisters attending the school when the younger child will start, then,
- 5) Children living within the school's geographical priority area, then,
- 6) Children living outside the school's geographical priority area with older brothers or sisters still attending the school when the younger child will start, then
- 7) Children living outside the school's geographical priority area.

The distance criterion will be used as the tie breaker if there is oversubscription within any of the admission criteria; it is a straight line (radial) measure.

If the Local Authority is unable to distinguish between applicants using the published criteria (eg. siblings, those living the same distance from home to school, or families residing in the same block of flats) places will be offered via a random draw.

The distance measure is a straight-line measurement (radial) between the applicant's home address and the address point of the school (co-ordinates provided by ordnance survey data).

GEOGRAPHICAL PRIORITY AREA ▼

Parishes of Hutton, Little Hoole, Longton, Much Hoole, Penwortham and Preston (part of*)

*The Broadgate area bounded by the Preston dock branch railway line, the West Coast Main Line (railway line), the Penwortham Parish boundary (River Ribble) and Guild Way.

TRANSPORT (YEARS 7-11) ▼ Please see *Information for Parents* booklet or <http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools>

Parents in any doubt over the distance between home and school for the provision of transport are asked to check with their local Area Education Office. This may be particularly relevant if you live close to a county border.

Penwortham Priory Academy

Penwortham Priory Academy

Crow Hills Road
Penwortham
Preston PR1 0JE
01772 320250

11-16 Mixed Comprehensive Academy

Head: Mr M Eastham

Number on Roll January 2026: 746

Admission Number: 150

Information relating to Autumn Term 2026 Year 7 Admissions:

Total parental preferences (considered equally)	1st	167
	2nd	197
	3rd	159
Total preferences received:		523

SUMMARY OF POLICY ▼ This is an Academy. Please contact the academy for full admission details.

Where the number of applications for admission is greater than the published admission number, applications will be considered against the criteria set out below. After the admission of students with statements of Special Educational Needs, the criteria will be applied in the order in which they are set out below:

- Looked after children or a child who was previously looked after, but immediately after being looked after became subject to an adoption, child arrangement order, or special guardianship order or those children who appear to the school to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted
- Children for whom, in the opinion of professional experts, there are exceptionally strong medical, social or welfare reasons for admission associated with the child and/or family which are directly relevant to Penwortham Priory Academy. This may include some non-statemented students who have special educational needs
- Children of staff who have been employed by Penwortham Priory Academy for two years prior to the closing date for applications, or where the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. This applies to all staff, full and part time, who are employed by the school.
- Children who will have a sibling in attendance at Penwortham Priory Academy at the time of transfer. The term "sibling" includes stepchildren, half brothers and sisters and adopted and foster children who are living with the same family at the same address
- Other students with priority given to those that live nearest to Penwortham Priory Academy, in accordance with local Geographical Priority Area. The measurement will be taken in a straight line from the centre point of the residence to the centre point of the Academy, using the Lancashire Local Authority's geographical information system (GIS)
- Other students living outside Penwortham Priory Academy's Geographical Priority Area.

GEOGRAPHICAL PRIORITY AREA ▼

This area includes the parish of Penwortham, following its boundary in a clockwise direction until it intersects with Handshaw Drive. From this point, the boundary extends eastward to Wateringpool Lane, then proceeds north until it meets the disused railway line. The route continues along the railway line until it reconnects with the Penwortham Parish boundary. Additionally, the area includes the parishes of Hutton, Longton, Little Hoole and Much Hoole. The area of Cottam is that bounded by the Lancaster Canal at its intersection with Tom Benson Way, then clockwise to Sidgreaves Lane, Edith Rigby Way, the M55, Tabley Lane, Tag Lane, and Tom Benson Way.

TRANSPORT (YEARS 7-11) ▼ Please see *Information for Parents* booklet or <http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools>

Parents in any doubt over the distance between home and school for the provision of transport are asked to check with their local Area Education Office. This may be particularly relevant if you live close to a county border.

Walton-le-Dale High School

Walton-le-Dale High School
Brindle Road
Bamber Bridge
Preston PR5 6RN
01772 335726

11-16 Mixed Comprehensive
Head: Mr P Lamery
Number on Roll January 2026: 689
Admission Number: 157

Information relating to Autumn Term 2026 Year 7 Admissions:

Total parental preferences (considered equally)	1st	75
	2nd	95
	3rd	89
Total preferences received:		259

Initial allocation under each criterion:	
Education, Health & Care Plan	3
In GPA with Sibling	12
In GPA no sibling	29
Out GPA with sibling	19
Out GPA no sibling	49
LA Allocated	27
Total	139

SUMMARY OF POLICY ▼ This is an Academy. Please contact the academy for full admission details.

When the Academy is oversubscribed, after the admission of pupils with Education Health and Care Plans naming the Academy, priority for admission will be applied by the Trust:

1. Looked after children or a child who was previously looked after, but immediately after being looked after became subject to an adoption, child arrangement order, or special guardianship order or those children who appear to the school to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted, then
2. Children for whom the Governors accept that there are exceptional medical, social or welfare reasons which are directly relevant to the school concerned, then
3. Children eligible for Services Premium, then,
4. Children living within the school's geographical priority area with older brothers or sisters attending the school when the younger child will start, then.
5. Children living within the school's geographical priority area, then
6. Children living outside the school's geographical priority area with older brothers or sisters still attending the school when the younger child will start, then
7. Children living outside the school's Geographical Priority Area, below.

Tie-breaker:

The distance criterion will be used as the tie breaker if there is oversubscription within any of the admission criteria; it is a straight line (radial) measure. If the Governors are unable to distinguish between applicants using the published criteria (eg. siblings, those living the same distance from home to school, or families residing in the same block of flats) places will be offered via a random draw. The distance measure is a straight line measurement (radial) between the applicant's home address points and the address point of the school (co-ordinates provided by Ordnance Survey data).

GEOGRAPHICAL PRIORITY AREA ▼

The Borough of South Ribble comprising the areas and parishes of Bamber Bridge (part of*), Cuerdale, Samlesbury and Walton-le-Dale (part of*). The Borough of Chorley comprising the parishes of Brindle (part of**) and Hoghton.

*The area of Bamber Bridge and Walton-le-Dale to the east of London Way

**The part of the parish to the north of the M65 motorway

TRANSPORT (YEARS 7-11) ▼ Please see Information for Parents booklet or <http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools>

Parents in any doubt over the distance between home and school for the provision of transport are asked to check with their local Area Education Office. This may be particularly relevant if you live close to a county border.

Wellfield Academy

Wellfield Academy
Yewlands Drive
Leyland
Preston PR25 2TP
01772 421303

11-16 Mixed Comprehensive Specialist School
Executive Head: Mr J Lewis
Number on Roll January 2026: 562
Admission Number: 166

Information relating to Autumn Term 2026 Year 7 Admissions:

Total parental preferences (considered equally)	1st	72
	2nd	72
	3rd	113
Total preferences received:		257

Initial allocation under each criterion:	
Education, Health & Care Plan	4
LAC and previously Looked After	1
Social/Medical/Welfare	0
In GPA with Sibling	0
In GPA no sibling	0
Out GPA with sibling	33
Out GPA no sibling	54
LA Allocated	40
Total	132

SUMMARY OF POLICY ▼ This is an Academy. *Please contact the academy for full admission details.*

When the Academy is oversubscribed, after the admission of pupils with Education Health and Care Plans naming the Academy, priority for admission will be applied by the Trust:

1. Looked after children or a child who was previously looked after, but immediately after being looked after became subject to an adoption, child arrangement order, or special guardianship order or those children who appear to the school to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted,
2. Children for whom the Governors accept that there are exceptional medical, social or welfare reasons which are directly relevant to the school concerned, supported by written professional advice.
3. Siblings of children who will be attending the school on the date when the applicant would be admitted.
4. Any other applicants.

Tie-breaker:

Where there are more applicants received than places available under any of the above criteria then the distance between the school and the home (the address which the child lives at for most of the week) will be used as the final determining factor. The distance criterion is a straight line (radial) measured centre of building to centre of building. Where the cut-off point is for addresses within the same building, then the single measure between address points will apply and the Local Authority's system of a random draw will determine which address(es) receive the offer(s) as an effective, clear and fair tie breaker. In the case of the point within the Academy, this will be the main school office.

Where a child lives at two addresses with parents with shared parental responsibility the distance shall be calculated by the address which the child lives for most of the week.

TRANSPORT (YEARS 7-11) ▼ Please see *Information for Parents* booklet or <http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools>

Parents in any doubt over the distance between home and school for the provision of transport are asked to check with their local Area Education Office. This may be particularly relevant if you live close to a county border.

Academy@Worden

Academy @ Worden
Westfield Drive
Leyland
Preston PR25 1QX
01772 421021

11-16 Mixed Comprehensive
Head: Mr A Hammersley
Number on Roll January 2026: 661
Admission Number: 180

Information relating to Autumn Term 2026 Year 7 Admissions:

Total parental preferences (considered equally)	1st	123
	2nd	169
	3rd	131
Total preferences received:		428

SUMMARY OF POLICY ▼ This is an Academy. Please contact the academy for full admission details.

The criteria which are to be used to allocate places when the Academy is oversubscribed are:

1. Looked after children or a child who was previously looked after, but immediately after being looked after became subject to an adoption, child arrangement order, or special guardianship order or those children who appear to the school to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted.
2. Children for whom the Governors accept that there are exceptional medical, social or welfare reasons which are directly relevant to the school concerned, then
3. Children of staff at the school.
4. Children living within the school's geographical priority area with older brothers or sisters attending the school when the younger child will start, then
5. Children living within the school's geographical priority area, then
6. Children living outside the school's geographical priority area with older brothers or sisters still attending the school when the younger child will start, then
7. Children living outside the school's geographical priority area.

The distance criterion which will be used as the tie breaker if there is oversubscription within any of the admission criteria is a straight line (radial) measure. If Governors are unable to distinguish between applicants using the published criteria (e.g. twins or same block of flats) places will be offered via a random draw.

The distance measure is a straight line (radial) measure centre of building to centre of building.

GEOGRAPHICAL PRIORITY AREA ▼

Parish of Ulnes Walton and Leyland area (part*) plus part of South East Farington (part**)

** From the boundary between Euxton and Leyland follow the centre of Worden Lane, St Andrews Road, Towngate, King Street and Leyland Way to the boundaries with Clayton-le-Woods and Cuerden.*

*** Follow the centre of Wheelton Lane north then east along the centre of Centurion Way then briefly north along Preston Road (B5254) to meet Stanifield Lane up to Claytons Farm.*

TRANSPORT (YEARS 7-11) ▼ Please see Information for Parents booklet or <http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools>

Parents in any doubt over the distance between home and school for the provision of transport are asked to check with their local Area Education Office. This may be particularly relevant if you live close to a county border.

Hutton Church of England Grammar School

Hutton Church of England Grammar School
 Liverpool Road
 Hutton
 Preston PR4 5SN
 01772 613112

11-18 Boys Comprehensive (16+ Mixed)
 Head: Mr N Moran
 Number on Roll January 2026: 672
 (including sixth form)
 Admission Number: 128

Information relating to Autumn Term 2026 Year 7 Admissions:

Total parental preferences (considered equally)	1st	128
	2nd	175
	3rd	117
Total preferences received:		420

SUMMARY OF POLICY ▼ This is a Voluntary Aided school. Please contact the school for full admission details

- Children in public care and previously looked after children. This includes children who appear to have been in state care outside of England and have ceased to be in state care due to be adopted
 - Children with special medical or social circumstances affecting the child where these needs can only be met at this school.
- Boys who have a sibling attending the school on the date application is made and on the date of admission.
- Boys whose parents/guardians worship in a church in membership of Churches Together in England or the Evangelical Alliance and:-
 - live within the ecclesiastical parishes of Penwortham (2), Longton, New Longton, Farington Moss, Lostock Hall and Hoole;*
 - live outside the area.
- Boys whose parents live within the ecclesiastical parishes of Penwortham (2), Longton, New Longton, Farington Moss, Lostock Hall and Hoole.
 This is defined by the Church of England parishes of St Mary's Penwortham, St Leonard's Penwortham, St Andrew's Longton, All Saints New Longton, St Paul's Farington Moss, St James Lostock Hall, and St Michael's Hoole. A map showing the boundaries is available in school.
- Other boys on the basis of distance of home from school.

Where there are more applicants for the available places within a category, then the distance between the Ordnance Survey address points for the school and the home measured in a straight line will be used as the final determining factor, nearer addresses having priority over more distant ones. This address point is within the body of the property and usually located at its centre. Where the cut off point is for addresses within the same building, then the single measure between address points will apply and the Local Authority's system of a random draw will determine which address(es) receive the offer(s).

TRANSPORT ▼ Please see *Information for Parents* booklet or <http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools>

Parents in any doubt over the distance between home and school for the provision of transport are asked to check with their local Area Education Office. This may be particularly relevant if you live close to a county border.

All Hallows Catholic High School

All Hallows Catholic High School
Crabtree Avenue
Off Central Drive
Preston PR1 0LN
01772 746121/2
admissions@allhallows.lancs.sch.uk

11-16 Mixed Comprehensive
Head: Mrs A Cooper
Number on Roll January 2026: 912
Admission Number: 178

Information relating to Autumn Term 2026 Year 7 Admissions:

Total parental preferences (considered equally)	1st	209
	2nd	183
	3rd	187
Total preferences received:		579

SUMMARY OF POLICY ▼ This is a Voluntary Aided school. Please contact the school for full admission details

Where there are more applications for places than the number of places available, places will be offered according to the following order of priority.

1. Looked after children and previously looked after children. A 'previously looked after child' is a child who was looked after but ceased to be so because he or she was adopted or became subject to a child arrangements order or special guardianship order. Included in this definition are those children who appear (to the admission authority) to have been in state care outside of England and who ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted.
2. Catholic children who are resident in the parishes of St Oswald's, Longton; St Teresa's Penwortham; St Mary Magdalen's, Penwortham; Our Lady & St Gerard's Lostock Hall and Our Lady's Tarleton.
3. Other Catholic children.
4. Children attending one of the following Catholic Partner Primary Schools in the parishes or former parishes named in criterion 2 above:
 - Our Lady & St Gerard's, Lostock Hall
 - St Oswald's, Longton
 - St Mary Magdalen's
 - St Teresa's, Penwortham
5. Members of an Eastern Christian Church not in full communion with Rome.
6. Children of other Christian Ecclesial Communities whose membership is evidenced by a minister of religion
7. Children of other faiths whose membership is evidenced by a religious leader.
8. Any other children.

Within each of the categories listed above, the following provisions will be applied in the following order.

- i. Where evidence is provided at the time of application of an exceptional social, medical or pastoral need of the child which can most appropriately be met at this school, the application will be placed at the top of the category in which the application is made.
- ii. The attendance of a brother or sister at the school at the time of enrolment will increase the priority of an application within each category so that the application will be placed at the top of the category in which the application is made after children in (i) above

Tie Break

The distance criterion will be used as the tie breaker if there is oversubscription within any of the admission criteria; it is a straight line (radial) measure. If the Governing Body is unable to distinguish between applicants using the published criteria (e.g. siblings, those living the same distance from home to school, or families residing in the same block of flats) places will be offered via a random draw. The distance measure is a straight-line measurement (radial) between the applicant's home address points and the address point of the school (co-ordinates provided by Ordnance Survey data).

TRANSPORT (YEARS 7-11) ▼ Please see *Information for Parents* booklet or <http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools>

Parents in any doubt over the distance between home and school for the provision of transport are asked to check with their local Area Education Office. This may be particularly relevant if you live close to a county border.

St Mary's Catholic High School, Leyland

St Mary's Catholic High School, Leyland
 Royal Avenue
 Leyland PR25 1BS
 01772 421909
head@ismchs.com

11-16 Mixed Comprehensive
 Head: Mr P Thompson
 Number on Roll January 2026: 813
 Admission Number: 166

Information relating to Autumn Term 2026 Year 7 Admissions:

Total parental preferences (considered equally)	1st	205
	2nd	158
	3rd	121
Total preferences received:		484

SUMMARY OF POLICY ▼ This is a Voluntary Aided school. Please contact the school for full admission details

The admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan is dealt with by a completely separate procedure. Children with an Education, Health and Care Plan that names the school must be admitted. Where this takes place before the allocation of places under these arrangements, this will reduce the number of places available to other children

Within each of the categories listed below, the following provisions will be applied in the following order.

1. Where evidence is provided at the time of application of an exceptional social, medical or pastoral need of the child which can most appropriately be met at this school, the application will be placed at the top of the category in which the application is made.
2. The attendance of a brother or sister at the school at the time of enrolment will increase the priority of an application within each category so that the application will be placed at the top of the category in which the application is made.

Oversubscription Criteria

Where there are more applications for places than the number of places available, places will be offered according to the following order of priority.

1. Looked after children and previously looked after children. A 'previously looked after child' is a child who was looked after but ceased to be so because he or she was adopted or became subject to a child arrangements order or special guardianship order. Included in this definition are those children who appear (to the admission authority) to have been in state care outside of England and who ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted.
2. Catholic children who are resident in the parish of St Mary's, Leyland; St Catherine's, Farington; St Agnes', Eccleston; St Mary's, Euxton and Ss Peter & Paul, Mawdesley.
3. Other Catholic children.
4. Children attending one of the following Catholic Partner Primary Schools in the parishes or former parishes named in criterion 2 above:
 St Anne's, Leyland; St Mary's, Leyland; St Catherine's, Farington; Ss Peter & Paul, Mawdesley; St Mary's, Euxton.
5. Members of an Eastern Christian Church not in full communion with Rome.
6. Children of other Christian Ecclesial Communities whose membership is evidenced by a minister of religion. (see note 5)
7. Children of other faiths whose membership is evidenced by a religious leader.
8. Any other children.

Tie Break

The distance criterion will be used as the tie breaker if there is oversubscription within any of the admission criteria; it is a straight line (radial) measure. If the Governing Body is unable to distinguish between applicants using the published criteria (e.g. siblings, those living the same distance from home to school, or families residing in the same block of flats) places will be offered via a random draw. The distance measure is a straight-line measurement (radial)

between the applicant's home address points and the address point of the school (co-ordinates provided by ordnance survey data).

TRANSPORT (YEARS 7-11) ▼ Please see *Information for Parents* booklet or <http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools>

Parents in any doubt over the distance between home and school for the provision of transport are asked to check with their local Area Education Office. This may be particularly relevant if you live close to a county border.

Brownedge St Mary's Catholic High School

Brownedge St Mary's Catholic High School
Station Road
Bamber Bridge
Preston PR5 6PB
01772 339813

11-16 Mixed Comprehensive
Head: Mrs N Oddie
Number on Roll January 2026: 774
Admission Number: 160

Information relating to Autumn Term 2026 Year 7 Admissions:

Total parental preferences (considered equally)	1st	151
	2nd	124
	3rd	91
Total preferences received:		366

SUMMARY OF POLICY ▼ This is a Voluntary Aided school. Please contact the school for full admission details

1. Looked after children or a child who was previously looked after, but immediately after being looked after became subject to an adoption, child arrangement order, or special guardianship order or those children who appear to the school to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted.
2. Catholic children from the following Catholic feeder primary schools: St. Mary's & St. Benedict's, Bamber Bridge; Our Lady & St. Gerard's, Lostock Hall; St. Patrick's, Walton le Dale; St. Joseph's, Brindle; St. Bede's, Clayton Green.
3. Baptised Catholic children living in the designated parishes named below: Brownedge St. Mary's, Bamber Bridge; Our Lady & St. Gerard's, Lostock Hall; Our Lady & St. Patrick's Walton le Dale; St. Joseph's, Brindle; St. Bede's, Clayton Green; and St. Mary, & St John Southworth Samlesbury.
4. Catholic children who have a sibling at the school at the time of admission.
5. Other Catholic children.
6. Non Catholic children attending a Catholic feeder primary school.
7. Non Catholic Children who have a sibling at the school at the time of admission.
8. Children of staff (a)who have been employed by the school for two or more years at the time at which the application for admission is made(b) recruited to fill a skill demonstrable skill shortage.
9. Children from other Christian denominations.
10. Children of other faiths.
11. Other Children.

Where there are more applicants for the available places within a category, then the distance between the Ordnance Survey address points for the school and the home measured in a straight line will be used as the final determining factor, nearer addresses having priority over more distant ones. This address point is within the body of the property and usually located at its centre. Where the cut off point is for addresses within the same building, then the single measure between address points will apply and the Local Authority's system of a random draw will determine which address(es) receive the offers(s).

TRANSPORT (YEARS 7-11) ▼ Please see *Information for Parents* booklet or <http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools>

Parents in any doubt over the distance between home and school for the provision of transport are asked to check with their local Area Education Office. This may be particularly relevant if you live close to a county border.

Burscough Priory Academy

Burscough Priory Academy

Trevor Road
Burscough
Ormskirk L40 7RZ
01704 893259

11-16 Mixed Comprehensive

Head: Mrs L Mc Laren

Number on Roll January 2026: 730

Admission Number: 150

Information relating to Autumn Term 2026 Year 7 Admissions:

Total parental preferences (considered equally)	1st	110
	2nd	114
	3rd	135
Total preferences received:		374

SUMMARY OF POLICY ▼ This is an Academy. Please contact the academy for full admission details.

When the Academy is oversubscribed, after the admission of pupils with Education Health and Care Plans naming the Academy, priority for admission will be applied by the Trust following the criteria set out below:

1. Looked after children, previously looked after children and children who appear (to the Trust) to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted.
2. Children with proven and exceptional medical, special educational or social needs which are directly relevant to the school. The application must be supported by written specific appropriate professional advice (letter from doctor or social worker) as to why admission to the school is necessary. It is the responsibility of parents to show that it is essential for the child to attend the Academy rather than any other school.
3. Siblings of children who will be attending the school on the date when the applicant would be admitted. The term siblings include brother or sister, half brother or sister, step brother or sister, adopted brother or sister, foster brother or sister and other children living permanently at the same address. Only one address can be used for school admission purposes. This is defined by the Trust as the home in which the child lives for most of the school week (i.e. for four nights or more per week).
4. Any other applicants.

Tie-Breaker

Where there are more applicants received than places available under any of the above criteria then the distance between the school and the home (the address which the child lives at for most of the week) will be used as the final determining factor. The distance criterion is a straight line (radial) measured centre of building to centre of building. Where the cut-off point is for addresses within the same building, then the single measure between address points will apply and the Local Authority's system of a random draw will determine which address(es) receive the offer(s) as an effective, clear and fair tie breaker.

In the case of the point within the Academy, this will be the main school office.

TRANSPORT (YEARS 7-11) ▼ Please see *Information for Parents* booklet or <http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools>

Parents in any doubt over the distance between home and school for the provision of transport are asked to check with their local Area Education Office. This may be particularly relevant if you live close to a county border.

Ormskirk School

Ormskirk School
Wigan Road
Ormskirk
Lancashire L39 2AT
01695 583040

11-18 Mixed Academy
Head: Mr J Burham
Number on Roll January 2026: 1070
(including sixth form)
Admission Number: 240

Information relating to Autumn Term 2026 Year 7 Admissions:

Total parental preferences (considered equally)	1st	208
	2nd	165
	3rd	200
Total preferences received:		573

SUMMARY OF POLICY ▼ This is an Academy. *Please contact the academy for full admission details.*

When the Academy is oversubscribed, after the admission of pupils with Education Health and Care Plans naming the Academy, priority for admission will be applied by the Trust following the criteria set out below:

1. Looked after children, previously looked after children and children who appear (to the Trust) to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted.
2. Children with proven and exceptional medical, special educational or social needs which are directly relevant to the school. The application must be supported by written specific appropriate professional advice (letter from doctor or social worker) as to why admission to the school is necessary. It is the responsibility of parents to show that it is essential for the child to attend the Ormskirk School rather than any other school.
3. Siblings of children who will be attending the Ormskirk School on the date when the applicant would be admitted. The term siblings include brother or sister, half brother or sister, step brother or sister, adopted brother or sister, foster brother or sister and other children living permanently at the same address. Only one address can be used for school admission purposes. This is defined by the Trust as the home in which the child lives for most of the school week (i.e. for four nights or more per week).
4. Any other applicants.

Tie-Breaker

Where there are more applicants received than places available under any of the above criteria then the distance between the school and the home (the address which the child lives at for most of the week) will be used as the final determining factor. The distance criterion is a straight line (radial) measured centre of building to centre of building. Where the cut-off point is for addresses within the same building, then the single measure between address points will apply and the Local Authority's system of a random draw will determine which address(es) receive the offer(s) as an effective, clear and fair tie breaker. In the case of the point within Ormskirk School, this will be the main school office.

In the case of the point within the Academy, this will be the main school office.

TRANSPORT (YEARS 7-11) ▼ Please see *Information for Parents* booklet or <http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools>

Parents in any doubt over the distance between home and school for the provision of transport are asked to check with their local Area Education Office. This may be particularly relevant if you live close to a county border.

Up Holland High School

Up Holland High School
Sandbrook Road
Orrell
Wigan WN5 7AL
01695 625191

11-16 Mixed Comprehensive
Head: Mr P Scarborough
Number on Roll January 2026: 877
Admission Number: 180

Information relating to Autumn Term 2026 Year 7 Admissions:

Total parental preferences (considered equally)	1st	160
	2nd	184
	3rd	123
Total preferences received:		467

Initial allocation under each criterion:	
Education, Health & Care Plan	1
LAC and previously Looked After	1
Children of staff	2
Service Pupil Premium	1
Sibling	66
Geographical	110

SUMMARY OF POLICY ▼ This is an Academy. Please contact the academy for full admission details.

Where the number of applications for admission is greater than the published admission number, applications will be considered against the oversubscription criteria set out below. After the admission of pupils with Education, Health and Care Plans, where Up Holland High School is named on the Plan, the criteria will be applied in the following order:

1. Looked after children and children who were previously looked after but then became subject to adoption, a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order. This includes children who appear to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted;
2. Children who have a brother or sister at the school at the time of likely admission. The brother or sister must be on the school roll in Years 7 — 11. This includes full, half or stepbrothers and sisters, adopted and foster brothers and sisters or a child of the parent/carer/partner, and in every case, who is living at the same address and is part of the same family unit;
3. Children of staff at the school in either of the following circumstances:
 - the member of staff is employed by the trust and assigned at the school 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.
4. Other children.

Tie Break

In the event of any over-subscription in the number of applications made under any of the categories above the school will offer places first to children whose family home is nearest the school.

The distance criterion will be used as the tie breaker if there is oversubscription within any of the admission criteria; it is a straight line (radial) measure.

If the Governing Body is unable to distinguish between applicants using the published criteria (e.g. siblings, those living the same distance from home to school, or families residing in the same block of flats) places will be offered via a random draw.

The distance measure is a straight line measurement (radial) between the applicant's home address points and the address point of the school (co-ordinates provided by ordnance survey data).

TRANSPORT (YEARS 7-11) ▼ Please see *Information for Parents* booklet or <http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools>

Parents in any doubt over the distance between home and school for the provision of transport are asked to check with their local Area Education Office. This may be particularly relevant if you live close to a county border.

Lathom High School

Lathom High School
Glenburn Road
Skelmersdale WN8 6JN
01695 725653

11-16 Mixed Comprehensive
Head: Mr P W Livesley
Number on Roll January 2026: 806
Admission Number: 170

Information relating to Autumn Term 2026 Year 7 Admissions:

Total parental preferences (considered equally)	1st	234
	2nd	108
	3rd	45
Total preferences received:		387

SUMMARY OF POLICY ▼ This is a Foundation school. Please contact the school for full admission details

1. Looked after children or a child who was previously looked after, but immediately after being looked after became subject to an adoption, child arrangement order, or special guardianship order or those children who appear to the school to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in states care as a result of being adopted, then
2. Children for whom the Governing Body accepts that there are exceptional medical, social or welfare reasons which are directly relevant to the school concerned, then
3. Children with older brothers or sisters attending the school when the younger child will start,
4. Distance from the child's permanent home address to school.

The distance criterion which will be used as the tie breaker if there is oversubscription within any of the admission criteria is a straight line (radial) measure. If the Governing Body is unable to distinguish between applicants using the published criteria (eg twins or same block of flats) places will be offered via a random draw.

The distance measure is a straight line (radial) measure centre of building to centre of building.

TRANSPORT (YEARS 7-11) ▼ Please see *Information for Parents* booklet or <http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools>

Parents in any doubt over the distance between home and school for the provision of transport are asked to check with their local Area Education Office. This may be particularly relevant if you live close to a county border.

Our Lady Queen of Peace Catholic Engineering College

Our Lady Queen of Peace Catholic Engineering College

Glenburn Road
Skelmersdale WN8 6JW
01695 725635
mail@olqp.lancs.sch.uk

11-16 Mixed Comprehensive
Head: Mrs M Henshaw
Number on Roll January 2026: 789
Admission Number: 185

Information relating to Autumn Term 2026 Year 7 Admissions:

Total parental preferences (considered equally)	1st	72
	2nd	120
	3rd	66
Total preferences received:		258

SUMMARY OF POLICY ▼ This is a Voluntary Aided school. *Please contact the school for full admission details*

Pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan ~ The admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan is dealt with by a completely separate procedure. Children with an Education, Health and Care Plan that names the school must be admitted. Where this takes place before the allocation of places under these arrangements, this will reduce the number of places available to other children.

Within each of the categories listed below, the following provisions will be applied in the following order.

- (i) Where evidence is provided at the time of application of an exceptional social, medical or pastoral need of the child which can most appropriately be met at this school, the application will be placed at the top of the category in which the application is made.
- (ii) The attendance of a brother or sister at the school at the time of enrolment will increase the priority of an application within each category so that the application will be placed at the top of the category in which the application is made after children in (i) above.

Oversubscription Criteria

Where there are more applications for places than the number of places available, places will be offered according to the following order of priority.

1. Looked after children and previously looked after children.
2. Catholic children who are resident in the parish of St Richard.
3. Other Catholic children.
4. Children attending one of the following Catholic Partner Primary Schools in the parishes or former parishes named in criterion 2 above:
 - St Edmund's, Skelmersdale
 - St Francis of Assisi, Skelmersdale
 - St John's, Skelmersdale
 - St Richard's, Skelmersdale
 - St James', Skelmersdale
5. Members of an Eastern Christian Church not in full communion with Rome.
6. Children of other Christian Ecclesial Communities whose membership is evidenced by a minister of religion.
7. Children of other faiths whose membership is evidenced by a religious leader.
8. Any other children.

Tie Break

The distance criterion will be used as the tie breaker if there is oversubscription within any of the admission criteria; it is a straight line (radial) measure. If the Governing Body is unable to distinguish between applicants using the published criteria (e.g. siblings, those living the same distance from home to school, or families residing in the same block of flats) places will be offered via a random draw. The distance measure is a straight-line measurement (radial) between the applicant's home address points and the address point of the school (co-ordinates provided by ordnance survey data).

TRANSPORT (YEARS 7-11) ▼ Please see *Information for Parents* booklet or <http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools>

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St Bede's Catholic High School

St Bede's Catholic High School

St Anne's Road
Ormskirk L39 4TA
01695 577320/570335
admin@sbchs.co.uk

11-16 Mixed Comprehensive

Head: Mr D Morgan

Number on Roll January 2026: 710

Admission Number: 140

Information relating to Autumn Term 2026 Year 7 Admissions:

Total parental preferences (considered equally)	1st	157
	2nd	131
	3rd	151
Total preferences received:		439

Initial allocation under each criterion:	
LAC and previously Looked After	2
Baptised children resident in named parishes	128
Other Catholic children	9
Education, Health & Care Plan	8
No places were allocated to categories 5-8.	

SUMMARY OF POLICY ▼ This is a Voluntary Aided school. Please contact the school for full admission details

1. Looked after children and previously looked after children. This includes children who appear to have been in state care outside of England and have ceased to be in state as a result of being adopted.
2. Catholic children who are resident in the parishes of St Anne's, Ormskirk; St Mary's, Aughton; St Elizabeth's Scarisbrick; Our Lady's, Parbold and St John's, Burscough.
3. Other Catholic children.
4. Children attending one of the following Catholic Partner Primary Schools in the parishes or former parishes named in criterion 2 above:
 - Our Lady & All Saints Parbold
 - St John's Burscough
 - St Anne's Ormskirk
 - St Mary's Scarisbrick
5. Members of an Eastern Christian Church **not** in full communion with Rome.
6. Children of other Christian Ecclesial Communities whose membership is evidenced by a minister of religion.
7. Children of other faiths whose membership is evidenced by a religious leader.
8. Any other children.

Tie Break

Priority will be given to children living closest to the school determined by the shortest distance. Distances will be calculated between the Ordnance Survey address points for the school and the home measured in a straight line will be used as the final determining factor, nearer addresses having priority over more distant ones. This address point is within the body of the property and usually located at its centre. Where the cut-off point is for addresses within the same building, then the single measure between address points will apply and the Local Authority's system of a random draw will determine which address(es) receive the offer(s). In the event of distances being the same for two or more children where this would determine the last place to be allocated, random allocation will be carried out and supervised by a person independent of the school. All the names will be entered into a hat and the required number of names will be drawn out.

- (i) Where evidence is provided at the time of application of an exceptional social, medical or pastoral need of the child which can most appropriately be met at this school, the application will be placed at the top of the category in which the application is made.
- (ii) The attendance of a brother or sister at the school at the time of enrolment will increase the priority of an application within each category so that the application will be placed at the top of the category in which the application is made after children in (i) above.

TRANSPORT (YEARS 7-11) ▼ Please see *Information for Parents* booklet or <http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools>

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Tarleton Academy

Tarleton Academy
Hesketh Lane
Tarleton
Preston PR4 6AQ
01772 812644

11-16 Mixed Comprehensive
Head: Mr S Parker
Number on Roll January 2026: 674
Admission Number: 150

Information relating to Autumn Term 2026 Year 7 Admissions:

Total parental preferences (considered equally)	1st	130
	2nd	86
	3rd	94
Total preferences received:		310

SUMMARY OF POLICY ▼ This is an Academy. *Please contact the academy for full admission details.*

When the Academy is oversubscribed, after the admission of pupils with Education Health and Care Plans naming the Academy, priority for admission will be applied by the Trust following the criteria set out below:

1. Looked after children, previously looked after children and children who appear (to the Trust) to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted.
2. Children with proven and exceptional medical, special educational or social needs which are directly relevant to the school. The application must be supported by written specific appropriate professional advice (letter from doctor or social worker) as to why admission to the school is necessary. It is the responsibility of parents to show that it is essential for the child to attend the Academy rather than any other school.
3. Siblings of children who will be attending the school on the date when the applicant would be admitted. The term siblings include brother or sister, half brother or sister, stepbrother or sister, adopted brother or sister, foster brother or sister and other children living permanently at the same address. Only one address can be used for school admission purposes. This is defined by the Trust as the home in which the child lives for most of the school week (i.e. for four nights or more per week).
4. Any other applicants.

Tie-Breaker

Where there are more applicants received than places available under any of the above criteria then the distance between the school and the home (the address which the child lives at for most of the week) will be used as the final determining factor. The distance criterion is a straight line (radial) measured centre of building to centre of building. Where the cut-off point is for addresses within the same building, then the single measure between address points will apply and the Local Authority's system of a random draw will determine which address(es) receive the offer(s) as an effective, clear and fair tie breaker.

In the case of the point within the Academy, this will be the main school office.

TRANSPORT (YEARS 7-11) ▼ Please see *Information for Parents* booklet or <http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools>

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Albany Academy

Albany Academy
Bolton Road
Chorley PR7 3AY
01257 244020

11-16 Mixed Comprehensive
Head: Mr P Mayland
Number on Roll January 2026: 726
Admission Number: 135

Information relating to Autumn Term 2026 Year 7 Admissions:

Total parental preferences (considered equally)	1st	134
	2nd	214
	3rd	222
Total preferences received:		570

SUMMARY OF POLICY ▼ This is an Academy. Please contact the academy for full admission details.

In the event that the school receives more applications than the number of places it has available, places will be given to those children who meet any of the criteria set out below, in order until all places are filled.

1. Highest priority will be given to looked after children and all previously looked after children who apply for a place at the school, including children who appear to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted.
2. Priority will next be given to children for whom the Governors accept, based on the written opinion of professional experts, that there are exceptional medical or social circumstances affecting the child and where these needs can **only** be met at Albany Academy.
3. Priority will next be given to children of staff at the school, in either of the following circumstances:
 - a) The member of staff has been employed at the school for 2 or more years at the time at which the application for admission to the school is made, or
 - b) The member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage
4. A maximum of 15 places will be allocated to children attending Chorley New Road Primary Academy who have been attending the school for at least 3 consecutive school years (Years 4, 5 and 6).
5. Children living within the school's geographical priority area with older brothers or sisters attending the school when the younger child will start, then
6. Children living within the school's geographical priority area, then
7. Children living outside the school's geographical priority area with older brothers or sisters still attending the school when the younger child will start then
8. Children living outside the school's geographical priority area.

Tie break

The distance measure is a straight line (radial) measure centre of building to centre of building.

The distance criterion which will be used as the tie breaker if there is oversubscription within any of the admission criteria is a straight line (radial) measure. If Governors are unable to distinguish between applicants using the published criteria (e.g. twins or same block of flats) places will be offered via a random draw.

GEOGRAPHICAL PRIORITY AREA ▼

Parishes of Charnock Richard, Coppull, Euxton (part*) Astley Village, Whittle -le Woods. District of Chorley, Withnell, Wheelton, Heapey, Anglezarke, Heath Charnock, Anderton, Adlington and Rivington.

*Euxton south of railway line.

TRANSPORT (YEARS 7-11) ▼ Please see *Information for Parents* booklet or <http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools>

Parents in any doubt over the distance between home and school for the provision of transport are asked to check with their local Area Education Office. This may be particularly relevant if you live close to a county border.

Parklands Academy

Parklands Academy
Southport Road
Chorley PR7 1LL
01257 264596

11-16 Mixed Comprehensive
Head: Miss L Pilkington
Number on Roll January 2026: 1103
Admission Number: 220

Information relating to Autumn Term 2026 Year 7 Admissions:

Total parental preferences (considered equally)	1st	245
	2nd	280
	3rd	255
Total preferences received:		780

SUMMARY OF POLICY ▼ This is an Academy. *Please contact the academy for full admission details.*

The criteria which are to be used to allocate places when the Academy is oversubscribed are:

1. Looked after children or a child who was previously looked after, but immediately after being looked after became subject to an adoption, child arrangement order, or special guardianship order or those children who appear to the school to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted, then
2. Children for whom the Governors accept that there are exceptional medical, social or welfare reasons which are directly relevant to the school concerned (professional supporting evidence from e.g. a doctor; psychologist; social worker etc is essential and such evidence must set out why the school is the most suitable school and the difficulties which would be caused if the child had to attend another school) then
3. Children of staff who are employed by Parklands Academy where on either a full or part time basis
 - a) The member of staff has been employed at the school for 2 or more years at the time at which the application for admission to the school is made, or
 - b) The member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage
4. Children who will have a sibling in attendance at Parklands Academy at the time of admission, then
5. Children who attend the founder schools in the Aspirational Futures Multi Academy Trust, namely Balshaw Lane Community Primary School and Highfield Community Primary.
6.
 - a) Higher priority will be given to the children living in the civil parishes of Withnell, Wheelton, Abbey Village, Brinscall Whittle Le Woods and Heapey, then
 - b) Other children living within the school's geographical priority area, then
7. Children living outside the school's geographical area

The distance criterion which will be used as the tie breaker if there is oversubscription within any of the admission criteria is a straight line (radial) measure. If Governors are unable to distinguish between applicants using the published criteria (e.g. twins or same block of flats) places will be offered via a random draw. The distance measure is a straight line (radial) measure, centre of building to centre of building.

GEOGRAPHICAL PRIORITY AREA

Parishes of Charnock Richard, Euxton, Buckshaw Village, Astley Village, Whittle-le-Woods, Chorley, Withnell, Wheelton, Heapey, Abbey Village, Anglezarke, Brinscall, Heath Charnock.

TRANSPORT ▼ Please see *Information for Parents* booklet or <http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools>

Parents in any doubt over the distance between home and school for the provision of transport are asked to check with their local Area Education Office. This may be particularly relevant if you live close to a county border.

Southlands High School

Southlands High School
Clover Road
Chorley PR7 2NJ
01257 414455

11-16 Mixed Comprehensive
Head: Mr P Bousfield
Number on Roll January 2026: 822
Admission Number: 150

Information relating to Autumn Term 2026 Year 7 Admissions:

Total parental preferences (considered equally)	1st	74
	2nd	62
	3rd	77
Total preferences received:		213

SUMMARY OF POLICY ▼ This is an Academy. Please contact the academy for full admission details.

1. Looked after children and those who have been previously looked after, including those children who appear to have been in state care outside England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted then
2. Children for whom the Trust accepts that there are exceptional medical, social or welfare reasons which are directly relevant to the school concerned then
3. Children of staff. Where the member of staff has been employed at Southlands High School for two or more years at the time at which the admissions application for the school is made, and/or where a member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. Parents and carers must state the employee's name on their admission application form (details will be validated by the school); then
4. Children living within the school's geographical priority area with older brothers or sisters attending the school when the younger child will start then
5. Children living within the school's geographical priority area, then
6. Children living outside the school's geographical priority area with older brothers or sisters still attending the school when the younger child will start then
7. Children living outside the school's geographical priority area below.

TIE-BREAKER

Where there are more applicants received than places available under any of the above criteria then the distance between the school and the home will be used as the final determining factor. The distance measure is a straight line (radial) between the applicant's home address points the address point of the school (co-ordinates provided by ordnance survey data). Where the cut-off point is for addresses within the same building, then the single measure between address points will apply and the Trust system of a random draw will determine which address(es) receive the offer(s) as an effective, clear and fair tie breaker.

GEOGRAPHICAL PRIORITY AREA ▼

Parishes of Charnock Richard, Coppull, Euxton, Buckshaw Village, Astley Village, Whittle-le-Woods, Chorley, Withnell, Wheelton, Heapey, Anglezarke, Heath Charnock, Anderton, Adlington, Rivington, Horwich, Blackrod and Haigh.

TRANSPORT (YEARS 7-11) ▼ Please see *Information for Parents* booklet or <http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools>

Parents in any doubt over the distance between home and school for the provision of transport are asked to check with their local Area Education Office. This may be particularly relevant if you live close to a county border.

Bishop Rawstorne Church of England Academy

Bishop Rawstorne Church of England Academy
Highfield Road
Croston
Leyland PR26 9HH
01772 600349/600972
office@bishopr.co.uk

11-16 Mixed Comprehensive
Head: Mr P Cowley
Number on Roll January 2026: 959
Admission Number: 190

Information relating to Autumn Term 2026 Year 7 Admissions:

Total parental preferences (considered equally)	1st	202
	2nd	99
	3rd	94
Total preferences received:		395

SUMMARY OF POLICY ▼ This is an Academy. *Please contact the academy for full admission details.*

The Governing Body will not place any restrictions on admissions to Year 7 unless the number of children for whom admission is sought exceeds their admission number. The Governing Body operates a system of equal preferences under which they consider all preferences equally and the Local Authority notifies parents of the result. In the event that there are more applicants than places; after admitting all children with an Education Health and Care Plan naming the Academy, the Governing Body will allocate places using the criteria below which are listed in order of priority

1. **Looked after and previously looked after children.**

This means a 'looked after child' or a child who was previously looked after but immediately after became subject to an adoption, child arrangements or special guardianship order, including those who appear (to the admission authority) to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted.

2. **Children with special medical or social circumstances affecting the child where these needs can only be met at this Academy**

Professional supporting evidence from a professional, e.g. a doctor, psychologist, social worker, is essential if admission is to be made under the criterion for special medical or social circumstances, and such evidence must set out the particular reasons why the academy in question is the only school/academy where these needs can be met and the difficulties which would be caused if the child had to attend another school/academy. Parents must submit this evidence to the Academy by 31st October 2026, if they wish their application to be considered under this criterion.

3. Children who RESIDE in the Foundation Parishes of Bretherton, Croston, Eccleston, Mawdesley with Bispham and Wrightington with Heskin, with parents meeting faith commitment as outlined in Appendix 1 section 2.5 of the Admission Policy which is up to one-third of the total places (currently up to 63 of 190 places). At the point of oversubscription within this criterion, places will be offered in rank order of distance from the Academy to the home address as determined in Appendix 1 section 2.4 of this document.

4. Children who RESIDE in the Named Parishes of Appley Bridge, Banks, Douglas in Parbold, Hesketh with Becconsall, Hoole, Leyland St James, Rufford and Tarleton with parents meeting faith commitment as outlined in Appendix 1 section 2.5 of the Admission Policy, to fill the balance of up to one-third of the places allocated of the total intake numbers which have not been filled from criterion 1.3. At the point of oversubscription within this criterion, places will be offered in rank order of distance from the Academy to the home address as determined in Appendix 1 section 2.4 of this document.

5. Children with a parent employed by the Academy on a permanent contract either full or part-time in either or both of the following circumstances:

- a) where the member of staff has been employed at the Academy for two or more years at the time of admission, and/or
- b) the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage.

6. Children who have other siblings attending the Academy at the time of application and on the date of admission. For the definition of 'sibling' please refer to Section 2.7.

7. Children who RESIDE in the Foundation Parishes of Bretherton, Croston, Eccleston, Mawdesley with Bispham and Wrightington with Heskin, with parents meeting faith commitment as outlined in Appendix 1 section 2.5 of the

Admission Policy who cannot attain a place under 1.3 because the criteria of up to one-third of places allocated according to faith commitment has already been allocated. At the point of oversubscription within this criterion, places will be offered in rank order of distance from the Academy to the home address as determined in Appendix 1 section 2.4 of this document.

8. Children who RESIDE in the Foundation Parishes of Bretherton, Croston, Eccleston, Mawdesley with Bispham and Wrightington with Heskin, with parents who do not meet the faith commitment outlined in Appendix 1 section 2.5 of the Admission Policy. At the point of oversubscription within this criterion, places will be offered in rank order of distance from the Academy to the home address as determined in Appendix 1 section 2.4 of this document.
9. Children who RESIDE in the Named Parishes of Appley Bridge, Banks, Douglas in Parbold, Hesketh with Becconsall, Hoole, Leyland St James, Rufford and Tarleton with parents meeting faith commitment as outlined in Appendix 1 section 2.5 of the Admission Policy who cannot attain a place under 1.4 because the criteria of up to one-third of places allocated according to faith commitment has already been allocated. At the point of oversubscription within this criterion, places will be offered in rank order of distance from the Academy to the home address as determined in Appendix 1 section 2.4 of this document.
10. Children who RESIDE in the Named Parishes of Appley Bridge, Banks, Douglas in Parbold, Hesketh with Becconsall, Hoole, Leyland St James, Rufford and Tarleton with parents who do not meet the faith commitment outlined in Appendix 1 section 2.5 of the Admission Policy. At the point of oversubscription within this criterion, places will be offered in rank order of distance from the Academy to the home address as determined in Appendix 1 section 2.4 of this document.
11. Children who RESIDE in other parishes with parents meeting faith commitment as outlined in Appendix 1 section 2.5 of the Admission Policy. At the point of oversubscription within this criterion, places will be offered in rank order of distance from the Academy to the home address as determined in Appendix 1 section 2.4 of this document.
12. Children who RESIDE in other parishes with parents who do not meet the faith commitment as outlined in Appendix 1 section 2.5 of the Admission Policy. At the point of oversubscription within this criterion, places will be offered in rank order of distance from the Academy to the home address as determined in Appendix 1 section 2.4 of this document.

Distance criteria and tie-breaker:

Where there are more applicants for the available places within a category, then the distance between the Ordnance Survey address points for the Academy and the home measured in a straight line using the Lancashire County Council computerised measuring system, will be used as the final determining factor, nearer addresses having priority over more distant ones. This address point is within the body of the property and usually located at its centre. Where two addresses have the same distance, or the cut-off point is for addresses within the same building, then the Local Authority's system of a random draw will determine which address(es) receive the offer(s).

A Supplementary Form for Admission is available from the Academy and you need to return this to Bishop Rawstorne Church of England Academy.

TRANSPORT (YEARS 7-11) ▼ Please see *Information for Parents* booklet or <http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools>

Parents in any doubt over the distance between home and school for the provision of transport are asked to check with their local Area Education Office. This may be particularly relevant if you live close to a county border.

Holy Cross Catholic High School

Holy Cross Catholic High School

Myles Standish Way

Chorley PR7 3LS

01257 262093

admin@holycross.lancs.sch.uk

11-16 Mixed Comprehensive

Head: Mr G Lindley

Number on Roll January 2026: 978

Admission Number: 195

Information relating to Autumn Term 2026 Year 7 Admissions:

Total parental preferences (considered equally)	1st	224
	2nd	195
	3rd	201
Total preferences received:		620

SUMMARY OF POLICY ▼ This is a Voluntary Aided school. Please contact the school for full admission details

Within each of the categories listed below, the following provisions will be applied in the following order.

- i. Where evidence is provided at the time of application of an exceptional social, medical or pastoral need of the child which can most appropriately be met at this school, the application will be placed at the top of the category in which the application is made.
 - ii. A brother or sister at the school at the time of enrolment will increase the priority of an application within each category so that the application will be placed at the top of the category in which the application is made after children in (i) above
1. Looked after children and previously looked after children.
 2. Baptised Catholic children who are resident in the current parishes of St Chad, St Gregory, St Mary, St Oswald, Sacred Heart, St Joseph (all of which in Chorley) and St Joseph (Withnell) and St Joseph (Anderton)
 3. Other baptised Catholic children.
 4. Children attending one of the following Catholic Partner Primary Schools in the parishes or former parishes named above:

• Sacred Heart • St Joseph's, Chorley • St Chad's • St Joseph's, Withnell	• St Gregory's • St Mary's, Chorley • St Joseph's, Anderton • St Oswald's, Coppull
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 5. Members of an Eastern Christian Church not in full communion with Rome.
 6. Children of other Christian Ecclesial Communities whose membership is evidenced by a minister of religion.
 7. Children of other faiths whose membership is evidenced by a religious leader.
 8. Any other children.

Tie Break

Priority will be given to children living closest to the school determined by the shortest distance. The distance criterion will be used as the tie breaker if there is oversubscription within any of the admission criteria; it is a straight line (radial) measure.

If the Governing Body is unable to distinguish between applicants using the published criteria (eg siblings, those living the same distance from home to school, or families residing in the same block of flats) places will be offered via a random draw.

The distance measure is a straight line measurement (radial) between the applicant's home address points and the address point of the school (co-ordinates provided by ordnance survey data).

TRANSPORT (YEARS 7-11) ▼ Please see *Information for Parents* booklet or <http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools>

Parents in any doubt over the distance between home and school for the provision of transport are asked to check with their local Area Education Office. This may be particularly relevant if you live close to a county border.

St Michael's Church of England High School

St Michael's Church of England High School
Astley Road
Chorley PR7 1RS
01257 264740

11-16 Mixed Academy
Head: Ms R Rongong
Number on Roll January 2026: 1134
Admission Number: 225

Information relating to Autumn Term 2026 Year 7 Admissions:

Total parental preferences (considered equally)	1st	316
	2nd	237
	3rd	228
Total preferences received:		781

SUMMARY OF POLICY ▼ This is an Academy. *Please contact the academy for full admission details.*

A Supplementary Form for Admission is available from the Academy and you need to return this to St Michael's CE High School by no later than 31 October 2026.

1. Looked after children and all previously looked after children who appear (to the admission authority) to have been in care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted.
- 2.1 Parent or child is a regular fortnightly worshipper at a foundation church listed below which has membership of Churches Together in England or the Evangelical Alliance.
 - a) First priority will be given to children of staff, full and part time, who are employed on a permanent contract of employment in either or both of the following circumstances
 - i) where the member of staff has been employed at St Michael's CE High School for two or more years at the time at which the application for admission is made, and/or
 - ii) the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage.
 - b) Second priority will be given to siblings of pupils who are on the school roll at the date of application and on the date of admission
 - c) Third priority will be given to other children who meet the criteria.

Foundation parishes served by the school:

- Adlington St Paul
- Brindle St James
- Charnock Richard Christ Church
- Chorley All Saints
- Chorley St George
- Chorley St James
- Chorley St Laurence
- Chorley St Peter
- Coppull Parish
- Coppull St John
- Euxton Parish
- Heapey St Barnabas
- Whittle-le-Woods St John
- Withnell St Paul

- 2.2 Parent or child is a regular fortnightly worshipper at another Christian church with membership of Churches Together in England or the Evangelical Alliance
 - a) First priority will be given to children of staff, full and part time, who are employed on a permanent contract of employment in either or both of the following circumstances:
 - i) where the member of staff has been employed at St Michael's CE High School for two or more years at the time at which the application for admission is made, and/or
 - ii) the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage.
 - b) Second priority will be given to siblings of pupils who are on the school roll at the date of application and on the date of admission (1st September 2026).
 - c) Third priority will be given to other children who meet the criteria.
3. Children who have a sibling attending the school on the date of application and on the date of admission.
4. Other children.

Tie break

Where there are more applicants for the available places within a category, then the distance between the Ordnance Survey address points for the school and the home measured in a straight line will be used as the final determining factor, nearer addresses having priority over more distant ones. This address point is within the body of the property and usually located at its centre. Where two addresses have the same distance, or the cut-off point is for addresses within the same building, then the Local Authority's system of a random draw will determine which address(es) receive the offer(s).

TRANSPORT (YEARS 7-11) ▼ Please see *Information for Parents* booklet or <http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools>

Parents in any doubt over the distance between home and school for the provision of transport are asked to check with their local Area Education Office. This may be particularly relevant if you live close to a county border.

Atypical Admissions – Bolton and Merseyside Councils

If you are resident in Lancashire, you can apply online for your preferred primary or secondary schools (even if any of these are outside of the County).

THIS SCHOOL IS IN THE BOLTON COUNCIL AREA

Bolton UTC

Bolton UTC

The Stoller Building
University of Bolton
Deane Road
Bolton

www.utcbolton.org / theucs.org.uk

This is a university technology college

UTCs are academies for 14 to 19 year olds. Each UTC is sponsored by an employer and a university and specialises in one or two technical curriculum areas (for example engineering or bio-medical science). They focus on providing technical education that meets the needs of industry by offering technical courses and work-related learning, combined with core academic studies, which leads young people into employment, an apprenticeship or further/higher education.

If you would like further information or to discuss possible admission to Year 9 or above, please contact Bolton UTC direct on 01204 928700 or visit their website www.utcbolton.org

THIS SCHOOL IS IN THE MERSEYSIDE COUNCIL AREA

St Helen's College

St Helen's College 14-16 Academy

Technology Campus
Pocket Nook Street, St Helens WA9 1TT
0800 99 66 99
www.sthelensac.uk/1416academy

The 14-16 Academy is part of St Helens College and students join from the beginning of Year 10.

Every student at St Helens College 14-16 Academy will study up to nine GCSEs including English language, English literature, mathematics, core science and additional science and computing/ICT and two technical and professional qualifications (equivalent to GCSEs).

There may be an opportunity to choose either media or business as an additional GCSE depending on your current progress.

In addition, you will study RE, PSHE and PE alongside enrichment activities.

Once you have completed year 11, you will have the option to go to St Helens College, where you can choose from a range of pathways, including:

- A levels
- A technical and professional course
- A traineeship
- An apprenticeship

Timetable for Lancashire Secondary Admissions 2027/28

The arrangements for the transfer of pupils to secondary schools in September 2027 will, as far as possible, conform to the following timetable.

Tuesday 1 September 2026	Apply from this date at www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools (Please remember to press the 'submit' button every time you leave the online system)
Saturday 31 October 2026	National closing date for secondary applications (statutory).
During this period all applications are processed, and all preferences are considered against the published admissions policy. Where there are more applications than places available, decisions are made as to which children should be offered the available places. We will liaise and exchange information with all other admission authorities including neighbouring local authorities. The allocation and offer of a secondary school place is finalised.	
Monday 1 March 2027	Offers issued to parents*
Friday 12 March 2027	Deadline for requesting a place on the waiting list(s)
Week commencing 22 March 2027	Commence ranking of the waiting list
Wednesday 14 April 2027	Appeal deadline for Lancashire schools. Deadline for lodging appeals for Lancashire school's /1 st round of hearings.
Thursday 17 June 2027	Appeals for Lancashire schools submitted by the deadline heard by an independent appeal panel

*** If you are not happy with an initial offer the appeals period starts from your receipt of the offer. Appeal information will be issued later as this allows some time for waiting lists to operate.**

****Appeals which we receive after the deadline will be slotted into the schedule where possible. We cannot guarantee this however, and late appeals may have to be heard after the agreed date at a second round of hearings. The schedule is subject to change depending upon the availability of appeal panel members, clerks, venue, etc.**

The closing date for applications is Saturday 31 October 2026.



APPLY ONLINE

 at www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools

 When you apply online at www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools you will:

- Receive an email acknowledgement when you press the submit button
- Be able to change your application up to the closing date
- Be able to view your offer on the offer date

Please remember to press the 'submit' button each time you view your online application, (even if no changes are made).

For office use

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Apply online OR complete and return this form to your Area Education Office (see website/booklet for address)
 Please use black ink and write clearly in block capitals

Admission to Secondary Schools 2027-28 Application Form

THIS APPLICATION FORM IS FOR COMPLETION BY PARENTS RESIDENT IN LANCASHIRE.

Before completing this form all parents are strongly advised to read the primary school admissions information on the Lancashire County Council webpages at www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools

If you need advice on how to complete an application please contact your Area Education Office

Part 1 – information about the child

1	Name of child	Surname			Forename(s)				
2	Date of birth	Date	Month	Year	Boy ☐	Girl ☐	Twin / Triplet ☐	(please tick)	
3	Nursery provider						Tel No.		
	National Health Number								
4	(a) Name of parent(s)/guardian(s)								
	(b) Address								
	Postcode		Tel no		Email				
5	Which council charges Council Tax for the address where your child lives?								
6	If the child is not living permanently with the above parent(s)/guardian(s) please give:								
	(a) Name of person child usually lives with								
	(b) Address								
	Postcode		Tel No						
	Date when child started living with person at address in 6(b)								
If there is a shared parenting arrangement both parents must confirm the details at the outset at question 13 (part 2) of this form (see the primary admission booklet, Section 2, paragraph B)									

7 Details of siblings who will be attending secondary school on 1 September 2027 (Brothers & sisters, stepchildren, half brothers & sisters, adopted & foster children living with the same family at the same address.)

Name	Date of Birth	School	Female ☐	Male ☐

Part 2 – Additional Information				
8	Does the child have an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHC Plan)			Yes ☐ No ☐
	Is the child known to an Educational Psychologist?			Yes ☐ No ☐
9	Do you consider your child to have a disability? <i>If yes, please give description</i>	Yes ☐	No ☐	Description
10a	Is the child in care to any local authority?			Yes ☐ No ☐
10b	Was the child previously in care and now adopted?			Yes ☐ No ☐
10c	Is there a residence, guardianship or accommodation order?			Yes ☐ No ☐
	Name of relevant Local Authority			
	Name of Social Worker			
11	Is the child subject to a private fostering arrangement?			Yes ☐ No ☐
	Contact agency		Tel No	
12	Does a parent / guardian work at any of your school preferences?			Yes ☐ No ☐
	Name		School	
	Name		School	
13	Additional information to support your application may be provided here. <i>This can be medical, social or welfare information relating to the pupil and / or the family. Evidence from an appropriate professional (e.g. doctor, health visitor, social worker) can be attached. Please continue on a separate sheet if necessary.</i> Please do not include religious information in this section – see part 3 below *			

Part 3 – Statement of Preferences				
Please state clearly your 3 primary preferences for the child. All primary preferences will be considered equally. You are therefore strongly advised to use all 3 preferences and to name 3 different establishments. Where more than one offer would be possible, the school which has an available place and which you have ranked highest priority will become the single offer. Your list of preferences may include schools within or outside of Lancashire. Your preferences may include Community and Voluntary Controlled Schools, Voluntary Aided Schools, Free Schools, Foundation Schools and Academies. Independent / Private Schools must <u>not</u> be included. I/ We, being the parent(s) / guardian(s) of the child named in part 1, would prefer him/her to be considered for admission to the following primary schools / academies in priority order:				
First				
Second				
Third				
* Do you have any religious affiliation?		Yes ☐	No ☐	Is your child baptised Catholic?
				Yes ☐ No ☐
If YES you should contact any Voluntary Aided or Foundation School which is included as a preference and obtain their supplementary information form (this is in addition to the formal application process).				

14	Signature (s)	
I / We have read the secondary school information for parents and certify that the information given on this form is correct. The Local Authority reserves the right to verify the information given on this form. Any offer of a place will be on the basis that the information provided is accurate.		
Parent / Carer		Date
Parent / Carer		Date
If you apply on a paper form it is your responsibility to ensure that this is submitted to the Local Authority by 31 October 2026. Please ask for a receipt.		

Lancashire County Council is classed as an admissions authority and has a statutory obligation under The School Standards and Framework Act 1998 to collect and process this information.

Home to School Transport

Please see Information for Parents booklet or <http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools>

If the cost of getting your child from home to school and back is a consideration or concern in making your school preferences, please check the Home to School Transport Policy carefully or discuss your child's possible entitlement with the Area Pupil Access Team.

In September 2027, free school transport will be provided as follows:

General Policy

To qualify for free home to school transport, children of compulsory school age are required to attend the nearest suitable school, where the home to school distance (based on the child's address) using the shortest route is over 2 miles for children up to the age of 8 years. At the start of the academic year, after the child's 8th birthday, a reassessment will take place as children 8 years and over will only qualify for transport assistance if the shortest route is over 3 miles.

For Lancashire families, schools outside of their GPA (Geographical Priority Area) and those in other Local Authorities and districts will be considered when assessing eligibility for assistance for transport to school.

For those pupils attending faith schools, the Council previously granted partial assistance with travel costs if the pupil attended the nearest school of their faith. Since September 2018 transport assistance is only available if a pupil attends their nearest school or academy and meets the distance criteria.

Please note; if parents decide to send their child to a school that is not their nearest suitable school, then they will be responsible for the cost of transporting their child to that school/academy.

National Extended Rights Policy (Low Income)

If your child does not qualify for transport under the general policy (above), a national policy provides extended rights to children who are eligible for free school meals or whose parents receive the maximum level of Working Tax Credit (WTC) i.e. reduction to the income must be £0.00 on your award notice. This policy provides transport for:

Primary Children – age 8 but under 11 years, transport will be provided to the nearest suitable school where that school is more than 2 miles from the child's home.

Secondary Children – transport to one of the 3 nearest suitable qualifying schools where the school is more than 2 but less than 6 miles from the child's home OR transport to the nearest suitable secondary school preferred because of your religion or belief for children whose parents adhere to that particular faith, if the school is between 2 and 15 miles from home.

Concessionary Travel

If your child is not eligible for free travel you may be able to purchase a season ticket if there are spare places on a school transport service. Please contact the School Traveline for advice on 0300 123 6738.

In some cases it may be more cost effective for your child to travel on a public bus service and purchase a discounted period travel ticket direct from the bus operator.

You are strongly advised to visit our website for up to date information on the provision of any home to school transport or contact the Area Pupil Access Team (see contact details on page 1 for your nearest office).

For full details of the policy and general principles applying to free school transport please see our website www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools.

Data Protection

Data Protection:

In completing this form, you understand that Lancashire County Council has a requirement to process your personal data.

Purposes for processing

Lancashire County Council will only ever process your personal data where it has a clear lawful basis for doing so in full compliance with data protection legislation - UK GDPR and The Data Protection Act (2018).

We will ensure the security and confidentiality of your personal data at all times.

For our full privacy notice, please scan the QR Code or [access the document on line](#).

If you need a paper version of our privacy notice, please contact ECSPupilAccess.Central@lancashire.gov.uk to request a copy.



When will I hear the outcome of my application?

If you applied online, you can log back into your application on 1 March 2027 to find out the school we have offered your child.

You should also receive an automated email alert on 1 March confirming your school offer.

If you do not receive an email alert, this could be due to a change in email address.

Alternatively, your email server has delayed the delivery of the email or sent it to your spam or junk mail folder.

You can log into the online application system without having received an alert.

If you applied on time using a paper form we will post you an offer letter by second class post on 1 March 2027.

Unfortunately, offer information cannot be given out by phone.

Does your child qualify for Free School Meals?

Your child may be able to get free school meals if you get any of the following:

- Universal Credit
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Are in receipt of income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Receive the guarantee element of Pension Credit
- Meet criteria for families with no recourse to public funds

If your child already gets free school meals because you receive a qualifying benefit, you do not need to apply again. Your child will already be on the school's list.

You also do not need to reapply when your child moves from Year 6 to high school. The new school will be told about your child's eligibility.

Please note, you will still need to register your child with us even if you have an older child already attending school and receiving free school meals.

From September 2026, your exact entitlements depend in which of the two main FSM categories you fall into:

1. Expanded FSM (The Extended Group)

Entitlement is based on an award of Universal Credit with an annual income of over £7400. This grants free daily school lunches only.

2. Targeted FSM (The Standard Group)

This is where entitlement is based on a benefit other than Universal Credit, or where the annual income used is £7400 or less. In addition to free school meals your child will be entitled to:

- Free school milk, if the school provides it
- Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) programme
- Pupil Premium funding for the school
- Low-income priority for Home to School Transport

**This booklet was prepared by the Pupil Access Team
September 2026**

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Catching the School Bus

Quick Guide



Before the Bus Arrives

- Arrive 5 minutes early.
- Queue safely away from the kerb.
- Signal clearly to the driver.



Paying or Showing Your Pass

- Have your fare or valid bus pass ready. Valid passes must be shown on every trip or you will need to pay the fare on board.
- Lost or damaged passes? **Call 0300 123 6738.**
- Misuse of travel passes is treated very seriously.



On the Bus

- Sit and, where available, please wear a seat belt.
- Store bags safely.
- If all seats are taken you should stand sensibly behind the driver area.



Behaviour Rules

- No bullying or throwing items.
- No smoking or vaping.
- Respect others & the driver.
- If you misbehave you may have your travel pass taken away and be excluded from using the service.



Getting Off the Bus

- Never over-ride past the stops marked on your pass or the stop you have paid for.
- Press the bell for your stop.
- Take your belongings, including any rubbish & thank the driver.



Road Safety

Stop, Look, Listen.
Cross safely, stay alert!

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