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\*\*\*Reminder\*\*\*

### **Online Post-Primary Admissions Process**

**Dear Primary 7 Parent/Carer**

**The Education Authority have a number of resources to guide parents of P7 children who will be transferring to post primary in September 2021, as the post primary admission process is being conducted online this year.**

The application opening window is between **12 noon Monday 1 March (today) and 4pm on Tuesday 16 March 2021.**

- The post-primary application is accessible at [www.eani.org.uk/admissions](http://www.eani.org.uk/admissions), as are the **support documents, guidance materials and tutorials.**
- It is the **responsibility of parents to check that all relevant information is included** on their child's application before submitting the form.
- Digital assistance is available via the **Admissions Helpdesk 028 9598 5595** in addition to the **user guides on the website** and the **guidance leaflet 'Applying for a Post-Primary School Place'**.
- Parents can check if their child would be eligible for **transport assistance** to a particular school on the EA website.
- Parents have the right to express school preferences but no child can be guaranteed a place at any particular school. More than half of post-primary schools are oversubscribed and not all children who apply will receive a place at an oversubscribed school. To ensure the best chance of getting their child into a post-primary school of their choice, it is **strongly recommended that at least four schools are listed in the order of preference and include at least one non-grammar school.** Parents can list as many schools as they wish and in some areas where many of the schools are oversubscribed, it may be wise to list more than four schools. Up to 12 schools can be listed on the online application.
- It is important that parents find out the following information about the schools they are considering. This will help them to assess if their child is likely to be offered a place: -





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1. **the admissions criteria** sets out how the school will decide which children will be selected/not selected if the school is oversubscribed. Parents should think about how well their child meets the criteria. The admissions criteria for all schools can be found on the **EA website**. If parents have questions about what something in a particular school's criteria means they can **contact the school** for clarification. **(LGS and LHS have released help sheets to support their criteria - you will have received these via Seesaw)**
2. the number of applications the school received in previous years and the number of pupils who were accepted. This information is included with the school's criteria on the EA website to let parents know if the school is usually oversubscribed.

**I hope you will find this information useful. Due to the process being online this year (digital admissions) I will be unable to facilitate meetings with parents to support the completion of forms however we are here to guide and support in any way we can.**

**Please contact me at any time for support.**

Yours sincerely

**Julie McDonagh**

Principal

