

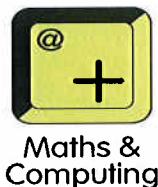


Whitburn Church of England School

A Maths and Computing Specialist School



2009 – 2010



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Excellence for All

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Whitburn Church of England School is a Voluntary Aided Church of England mixed 11 – 16 comprehensive school. The admission criteria published here apply to the September 2010 Year 7 intake.

The information in this prospectus has been compiled to inform you and your child about Whitburn Church of England School. We hope that when you have read the contents and visited the school you will be assured of our commitment to excellence and our ability to provide appropriately for the educational needs of your child.

Currency of Information

Except in the case of the details relating to Public Examinations or other achievements 08-09, the information in this brochure, which was prepared and published in September 2009, relates to the 2009/10 school year commencing at the beginning of September 2009. The particulars it contains about this school year were correct at the time of preparation. It must not be assumed that changes will not occur affecting the relevant arrangements of certain matters during the 2009/10 school year or in subsequent years. Such changes could arise from variations in Government legislation, Local Authority or School policy.

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Admissions Policy 2010

Whitburn Church of England School Admissions Policy 2010

Decisions concerning the admissions of pupils to Voluntary Aided schools and the attendant administrative procedures are the responsibility of the Governing Body.

Section 89 of the Schools Standards and Framework Act 1998, however, required that school Governors should consult the Authority on an annual basis, concerning the arrangements for the admissions.

The general admission arrangements of the LA for all schools is set out in the booklet 'Information for Parents School Education' in September 2010.

The school will admit pupils in accordance with the Local Authority's coordinated admissions scheme.

The school will normally admit pupils who have named Whitburn Church of England School (described as 'the school' in the remainder of this document), in the following order of priority:

The School operates an equal preference system which means that all first, second and third preference applications are considered equally against the following criteria.

- A "Looked after Child" or a "Child in Care" meaning a child accommodated by a Local Authority
- Children who have a concurrent sibling link and are residing at the same address (brother or sister including adoptive siblings, half siblings, step siblings, and long term fostered children) attending the School in September 2010.
- Pupils from Cleadon Village C of E Primary, Marsden Primary, Whitburn Village Primary and East Boldon Junior School
- Shortest distance from the centre of the parental home residence (including flats) to main school entrance measured as a straight line using the Local Authority Geographical Information System (GIS), with those living closer to the school receiving higher priority.

N.B. The above distance measurement will also be used as a 'tiebreaker' within each criterion if necessary.

In determining admissions, priority would be given to those applications where the parental application form is received by the published deadline date.

