

OUTCOMES OF PARENTAL APPLICATIONS FOR YEAR 6 PUPIL TRANSFERS TO HIGH SCHOOLS, SEPTEMBER 2004

REPORT BY SCHOOL SERVICES MANAGER

LOCAL ADMISSIONS FORUM

6 JULY 2004

Purpose

1. To note the outcomes of parental application for Year 6 pupils into High Schools for September 2004, including details of appeals.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

2. None.

Report

3. Since the report to Education Scrutiny Committee on 5th April 2004, formal appeals have now taken place for applications relating to five high schools. The results of these appeals are now known and are listed below.

	HELD	SUCCESSFUL
Wigmore	9	5
Fairfield	3	1
Weobley	2	1
Bishops	5	3
St Mary's	<u>9</u>	<u>2</u>
TOTAL	<u>28</u>	<u>12</u> (43%)

4. Following these appeals, and other changes that have been possible as some parents have decided not to take up places, the overall outcome of the transfer applications has improved further, as follows –

Parents receiving their first preference – (87% in April)

Parents receiving one of their declared preferences – (96% in May)

5. The position remains that the new system of 3-preference applications has produced a considerable improvement in the number of parents satisfied with the outcome.
6. The number of parental complaints about how applications have been dealt with administratively have also been at an unusually low level – only 2 recorded complaints at this stage, including one still under discussion.

Further information on the subject of this report is available from Mark Chamberlain, School Services
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NUMBERS SET AGAINST PLANNED ADMISSION NUMBER

7. Places allocated for September 2004, compared with the number of places available currently stand as follows –

	Places allocated	Published Admission Number	Waiting list
Queen Elizabeth	65	100	
Aylestone	231	250	
Bishops	235	235	26
Haywood	153	180	
Whitecross	180	180	
St Mary's	135	135	65
Kingstone	136	136	1
Lady Hawkins	67	90	
John Masefield	173	174	
John Kyrle	182	180	
Fairfield	67	66	13
Minster	126	140	
Weobley	101	100	4
Wigmore	96	90	21

WAITING LIST NUMBERS

8. The waiting list, which includes pupils whose parents decided not to appeal, will remain open until September. The waiting list will end following registration of pupils at the start of the Autumn term, as soon as allocated places have been fully accounted for, i.e. once pupils are attending or their temporary absence has been explained.

NUMBER OF UNPLACED HEREFORDSHIRE CHILDREN

9. Currently, no Year 6 pupil is unplaced for September 2004. The position is subject to change as families move into Herefordshire over the coming 3 months.

Recommendation

THAT the Committee note the up-to-date information on transfer of pupils for September 2005.

Background information

- None identified.