

November 2025

Dear Parents and Carers

Consultation on Proposed Changes to Admissions Policy for 2027–2028

We are writing to inform you that Shireland Collegiate Academy Trust is launching a consultation on proposed changes to our Admissions Policy for the academic year 2027–2028. These changes will affect the following schools:

- Thorns Collegiate Academy
- Wallbrook Primary Academy
- Newfield Park Primary Academy

Summary of Proposed Changes

1. For all Academies, an additional item within our oversubscription criteria:

Children of staff who have been employed at the school for a minimum of two years at the date of application, or who have been recruited to fill a vacant position at the school for which there is a demonstrable shortage.

2. For Wallbrook Primary Academy, the removal of an historical criteria relating to giving priority to children with serious medical conditions.

Consultation Details

The consultation period will run from **Friday 7th November 2025** to **Friday 19th December 2025**. We welcome feedback from parents, carers, staff, and other stakeholders.

How to Respond

You can share your views by:

- Email: info@shirelandcat.net
- Post: Mrs J Cook, Shireland Collegiate Academy, Waterloo Road, B66 4ND

All responses must be received by midnight on **Sunday 4th January 2026**.

After the consultation closes, Trustees will review all feedback before making a final decision. The updated Admissions Policy will be published on our website.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Sir Mark Grundy

Chief Executive Officer, Shireland Collegiate Academy Trust

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