

Admissions Policy for admissions in September 2025

Admissions Process

Applications for all school places must be made online at

<u>www.worcestershire.gov.uk/schooladmissions</u>, with the opportunity to nominate schools, ranked in order of preference. Information regarding this will be provided direct to parents via primary schools from their home Local Authority. Once completed, the application form must be received by your home local authority by their deadline. If applicants do not have access to the internet they should telephone 01905 822700 for assistance.

The home Local Authority not the school will notify parents of the outcome of their application for a place.

Applications arising later in the year will follow a similar process as explained in the Coordinated Scheme published by Worcestershire County Council.

Applying for Places

Applications are welcomed from all who wish their children to attend The Bewdley School. Students and their parent[s]/Guardians[s] who are considering applying are warmly invited to visit the School. The school holds an Open Evening for Year 6 students and their parent[s]/Guardians[s] in the October of the year prior to intended admission. The Governors have a Published Admission Limit of 180 places for Year 7. The following procedure for applications is designed to ensure that the Governors' Admissions Policy is applied as fairly and consistently as possible.

Admission of Children Outside their Normal Age Group

Parents may seek a place for their child outside of their normal age group, for example if the child is gifted and talented or has experienced problems such as ill health. Applications should be submitted in the normal way and the School will make the decision on the basis of the circumstances of each case and in the best interests of the child concerned. Please note; that whilst parents have the legal right to request that the child be admitted outside of their normal age group, the final decision rests with the School.

Procedure

All applications submitted to the home Local Authority naming The Bewdley School will be forwarded to the school. The Governing Body will rank all applications against the published Admission Criteria. Your home Local Authority will sort applications and will send those nominating The Bewdley School in any position to the Governing Body for assessment.

Applications will be sorted in descending order according to the Oversubscription Criteria below. With 180 places available, this number will be reached at varying levels each year, depending on the number and nature of applications received.