



## **ADMISSIONS POLICY – SEPTEMBER 2017**

### **SIXTH FORM**

#### **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

In order to enter the Sixth Form a student must have achieved a minimum of 5 A\* to C including English Language (Preparation for Work is not included in the 5). In addition to this, a student will have to achieve a specific Average GCSE point score to access particular courses. The average point score is calculated by taking an average of the scores awarded to each exam passed based on the scale below:

A\* = 8 A = 7 B = 6 C = 5 D = 4 E = 3 F = 2 G = 1

Pathway A (A Levels) **Typical requirements** – An average GCSE point score of 5.5 excluding Preparation for Work and including a maximum of two vocational subjects.

Pathway B (Vocational subjects) **Typical requirements** – An average GCSE point score of 5.0 excluding Preparation for Work and including a maximum of two vocational subjects.

In addition, students will have to meet the specific subject criteria for the courses they are applying for.

The School's Planned Admission Number (PAN) for Year 12 is 25. This PAN is for those students being admitted to the School for the first time.

#### **ADMISSIONS CRITERIA FOR EXTERNAL APPLICANTS**

As a Foundation school, The Cottesloe School is pleased to work within the Fair Access protocol. Once children with Statements of Special Educational Need (SEN) or **Education, Health and Care (EHC) Plans which name The Cottesloe School** have been admitted to the School, providing the above entry requirements have been met but only in circumstances where applications for admission from external candidates exceed the number of places available, the following oversubscription criteria will be applied:

##### **Criterion a**

Looked after children. A looked after child is a child who is either in the care of the local authority or being provided with accommodation by a local authority in the exercise of their social services functions, or at any time was previously looked after but immediately after became the subject of an adoption, residence or special guardianship order.

##### **Criterion b**

Those living in The Cottesloe School's catchment area comprising the civil parishes of Aston Abbotts, Cheddington, Cublington, Dagnall, Drayton Parslow, Dunton, Edlesborough, Granborough, Great Brickhill, Hoggston, Hollingdon, Horton, Ivinghoe, Ivinghoe Aston, Little Brickhill, Marsworth, Mentmore, Mursley, Newton Longville, North Marston, Northall, Pitstone, Rowsham, Slapton, Soulbury, Stewkley, Stoke Hammond, Swanbourne, Wing, Wingrave, Winslow. A map of the area is available at the School.

##### **Criterion c**

Children of members of The Cottesloe School's staff where the member of staff has been employed at the School for two or more years at the time at which the application is made and/or the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage.

**Criterion d**

Those living outside The Cottesloe School's catchment area, other than students cover by criterion c above.

In the event of over-subscription, once the admissions criteria have been applied, then any further places will be awarded according to the distance between the family's normal home address, as set out by Ordnance Survey, and the School's entrance measured in a straight line: closest first.

**APPLICATION PROCEDURE**

An application form and Sixth Form Prospectus can be obtained from the School. For further information regarding the application process and application timetable please contact the School.

All unsuccessful applicants will have the right of appeal to an independent appeal panel. The decision of the independent appeal panel is binding on the School and the parent.