

Consultation on Proposed Amendment to Admission Arrangements for Entry in September 2027

Yattendon School (Oakwood Road, Horley, Surrey RH6 7BZ)

1. Introduction

Greensand Multi Academy Trust is the admissions authority for Yattendon School. In accordance with the School Admissions Code (2021), the Trust is consulting on a proposed amendment to the school's admission arrangements for entry in September 2027.

The proposal is to **add a new oversubscription criterion for children of staff**, recognising the importance of staff retention and ensuring consistency with other schools within the Trust and in the local area.

The new criterion would be placed fifth in the order of priority, so that it does not disadvantage children transferring from Horley Infant School, which has a well-established link with Yattendon School.

2. Consultation Period

This consultation will run for six weeks, from 1st December 2025 to 19th January 2026. All responses must be received by 19th January 2026.

3. How to Respond

We welcome feedback from parents, carers, staff, governors, local residents, and other interested parties.

You can share your comments or questions to Maria Gorham, Lead Governance Professional by:

- Email: m.gorham@greensandacademytrust.co.uk (using subject line "Yattendon Consultation")
- Post: Greensand Multi Academy Trust, c/o Reigate School, Pendleton Road, Reigate RH2 7NT

Please include your name, your connection to the school (e.g. parent, local resident, staff member), and any specific feedback on the proposal.

4. Proposed Amendment

Aspect	Current Admission Arrangement	Proposed Amendment (from September 2027)	Rationale
Oversub- scription Criteria	The current criteria do not include priority for children of staff.	Add a new criterion at fifth position in the oversubscription list: 5. Children of staff – Priority will be given to children of staff in either or both of the following circumstances: • Where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more	To align with other schools within the Trust and neighbouring schools, and to support the recruitment and retention of high-quality staff. The criterion will be placed fifth to preserve the strong

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		years at the time at which the application for admission is made; and/or • The member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage.	transition link with Horley Infant School, ensuring pupils from that school are not disadvantaged.

All other oversubscription criteria and admissions processes will remain unchanged.

A full version of the admission arrangements for can be viewed on the school's website: Yattendon Admissions Consultation December 2025.

5. Who We Are Consulting

This consultation is open to:

- Parents and carers of current pupils
- Local residents
- Staff and governors

- The Local Authority
- Other local schools and academies

6. Next Steps

After the consultation closes, all responses will be considered by the Greensand Multi Academy Trust Board of Trustees.

The final admission arrangements will be determined and published on the school's website by 15 March 2026, in line with statutory requirements.

If approved, the new oversubscription criterion will apply to admissions for the September 2026 intake and all subsequent years, unless further changes are made following consultation.

7. Further Information

If you require any further details or would like this document in an alternative format, please contact Maria Gorham, Lead Governance Professional by:

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