Pass Move Grin

Education

Admissions Policy 2022 – 2023

Admission arrangements for children starting at Pass Move Grin Education.

Before a child can join Pass Move Education's alternative provision, the school and the child's parents must complete the Pass Move Grin Education application form. Pass Move Grin Education will then assess the pupil in their usual school environment and meet with the child's head and class teacher. During this time, Pass Move Grin's educational lead will discuss the child's needs and determine if Pass Move Grin Education can accommodate the pupils' individual needs. After this, the child will be invited to attend a trial session at the provision. Once the school, parents and head of PMG Education agree that the provision is the right place for the child, the school and PMG will sign the SLA, set individualised targets and create a risk assessment. The school will agree on a start date and agree on days and times. Once the school must sign up for a minimum of 1 month and this must be paid in advance. The school has the option to leave the provision or commit to another month at the end of each month. Applications must be made to <u>kathryn.pmg.education@gmail.com</u>.

Admission oversubscription criteria & Special Circumstances.

If there are a large number of applications children will be assessed and ranked based on the severity of the child's needs and circumstances. If the provision cannot accept all applications at one time, children will be put on a waiting list. As soon as a space becomes available, where evidence is provided at the time of application of an exceptional social, medical or pastoral need, the application will be placed at the top of the category in which the application is made.

Appeals. In the event of oversubscription and applications being refused, applicants have the right to an independent appeal. The deadline for lodging appeals allows at least 20 school days from the date of notification that their application was unsuccessful to prepare and lodge their written appeal.

Home address.

The child's place of residence is taken to be the parental home, other than in the case of children fostered by a local authority, where either the parental address or that of the foster parent may be used. If a child's parents live at separate addresses, the address where the child permanently spends at least three 'school' nights (that is, Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday) will be taken to be the place of residence. Addresses of other

relatives or friends will not be considered as the place of residence, even if the child stays there for all or part of the week. Evidence that a child's place of residence is permanent may also be sought and this should prove that a child lived at the address at the time of the application. Informal arrangements between parents will not be taken into consideration.

Looked after and previously looked after children

Previously looked after children are children who were looked after, but ceased to be so because they were adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order or special guardianship order). This includes children who were adopted under the Adoption Act 1976 and children who were adopted under section 46 of the Adoption and Children Act 2002. Child arrangements orders are defined in section 8 of the Children Act 1989, as amended by section 12 of the Children and Families Act 2014. Child arrangements orders replace residence orders and any residence order in force prior to 22 April 2014 is deemed to be a child arrangements order. Section 14A of the Children Act 1989 defines a 'special guardianship order' as an order appointing one or more individuals to be a child's special guardian.

A Previously Looked After Child potentially remains vulnerable and all staff at Pass Move Grin Education have the skills, knowledge and understanding to keep Previously Looked After Children safe. When dealing with Looked After Children and Previously Looked After Children, it is important that all agencies work together and prompt action is taken on concerns to safeguard these children, who are a particularly vulnerable group.

Pass Move Grin Education is aware that 'looked after children' is a high government priority At the present time the extent of the gap nationally between the outcomes of those in care and outcomes for all children is too large and this is very worrying as these children are our collective responsibility as probably the most vulnerable group of children and young people, through no fault of their own.

Admissions Age Range.

PMG Education accepts KS1 and KS2 primary school children (ages 5-11). Any children outside of this age group, for example, if the child is gifted and talented or has experienced problems in school that have had a major impact on their learning should only be educated out of the normal age group in very limited circumstances.

Any parent wanting their child to be admitted out of the normal age group should submit an application to Pass Move Grin Education via email: <u>kathryn.pmg.education@gmail.com</u> and via the Local Authority as soon as possible. When such a request is made, the School will make a decision on the basis of the circumstances of the case and in the best interests of the child concerned, taking account the views of the parent, the Head Teacher and any supporting evidence provided by the parent. The School is responsible, as the admissions authority, for making the decision on which year group a child should be admitted to. All such applications will be considered at the time they are submitted.