

# Admissions

## Applying for a place at Aldercar High School

Applications for places at Aldercar High School must be made through the local authority

Central admissions: <https://www.derbyshire.gov.uk/education/schools/school-places/apply-for-a-school-place.aspx>

Online applications can also be made from this website.

Pupils will be admitted at the age of 11+ without reference to ability or aptitude.

Closing date for 2021 applications is 31<sup>st</sup> October 2020.

## Year 6 Transition September 2021

Parents should receive notification of their child's allocated secondary school placement for September 2021 on 1 March 2021.

If you did not apply for a place at Aldercar High School from September 2020, you can still apply through Derbyshire County Council and we will accommodate your child.

We believe that a smooth, well-planned transition from primary to secondary school is crucially important to give students the best possible start in September. To facilitate this, we have organised an Induction Day for all Year 6 students as follows –

## Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> July 2021 & Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2021 – Transition Days for students, followed by a Transition Evening for parents and students on Thursday 1st July 2021.

Extra transition events will also be put in place for those students from out of normal area and for those students identified by their Primary School as needing extra support during this process.

More information will be sent out to parents/carers within the welcome letter which will be sent out shortly.

## Learning Support

We want all our student with special educational needs to feel welcome and supported when it comes to their transition to our school. The staff in the Learning Support are extremely approachable, friendly and are at hand to answer any parental concerns or queries before your child makes their transition to us.

We liaise with our primary school feeders and like to identify any students who may need additional visits before they come to us. We also entertain any prospective students and their parents in a Learning Support coffee evening which gives an informal opportunity to meet the staff and answer any questions.

Our Senco Mrs K Temple is always on hand to answer any questions on statutory assessment or how we may best meet the individual needs of your sons or daughters. If your child already has an Educational Health Care Plan, our Senco will liaise with your Primary School's Senco and attend the annual review meetings from Year 5 onwards, to ensure that our staff will be fully aware of your child's needs before they arrive with us.

If you wish to discuss your child's transition if they have a special educational need please contact our Learning Support.

## **In-Year Applications**

If you want to apply for your child to move school's mid-term, you can do this online at [www.derbyshire.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.derbyshire.gov.uk/admissions)

If you cannot access the internet, you can apply by phone by ringing Call Derbyshire on 01629 533190.

Parents of children with statements of special educational needs or an Education, Health and Care Plan should contact the SEN section at County Hall on 01629 536539 or email [sen.admin@derbyshire.gov.uk](mailto:sen.admin@derbyshire.gov.uk)

## **Arranging a visit to Aldercar High School**

If you are considering a move to Aldercar High School, then we would like to offer you the chance of a tour of the school during the normal school day, Mrs Powdrill, Assistant Head Teacher is available to show you around our School. If you are interested in a tour, please contact Mrs Kelly-Smith on 01773 712744.

## **Admissions Criteria**

Individual pupils who have a statement of Special Educational Needs or an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school will be admitted.

In deciding on admissions to all Community Schools in Derbyshire, the following order of priority will be adopted –

1. Looked after children and children who were looked after but ceased to be so because they were adopted (or became subject to a child arrangement order or special guardianship order).
2. Children living in the normal area served by the school at the time of application and admission who have brothers or sisters attending the school at the time of the application and admissions.
3. Children living in the normal area served by the school at the time of application and admission.
4. Children not living in the normal area served by the school but who have brothers or sisters attending the school at the time of the application and admission.
5. Other children whose parents have requested a place.