

#### **ADMISSIONS POLICY**

### For admission to Year 7 in September 2021

#### LANGUAGE SCHOLARSHIP ADMISSIONS INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

10% of total places within Ada Lovelace CofE High School will be made available each year for students applying for a place in Year 7 and with an identified natural aptitude for Language. The application process is designed to test a child's natural language and linguistic aptitude. As such, a child can be awarded a Language Scholarship place based on lingual aptitude, irrespective of any prior tuition.

#### How to Apply:

- 1. Apply to Ada Lovelace CofE High School in accordance with the Local Authority's co-ordinated admission arrangements using the Home Local Authority Common Application Form.
- 2. Complete the Language Scholarship application form online on the school website by the specified Language Scholarship closing date of Friday 2nd October 2020 at 12noon.
- 3. All Language Scholarship applicants will be invited to attend a language and linguistic aptitude assessment.
- 4. Your child's assessment score will be issued via email together with their ranked position on the Language Scholarship List. Whether your child is offered a place will depend upon your ranked position for a Language Scholarship place at the time of offers being made as well as yours and others applications order of preference on the Home Local Authority Common Application Form.
- 5. Students who are not offered a Language Scholarship place in March will be placed on a Language Scholarship Waiting List, ranked according to their score. If a place becomes available it will be offered to the applicant who is highest on the waiting list. In the case of a tie on score, those students living nearer the school, measured in a straight line from a point in the property of the child's home address (including flats) to the nodal point which is the centre point of the school's permanent site Park View Road, Ealing W5 2JX<sup>5</sup>, will be given priority.

# Though this is not a condition of admission, students admitted to Ada Lovelace CofE High School under a Language Scholarship Place will be expected to:

- 1. Become dual-linguists at GCSE Level and make outstanding progress across the four disciplines of reading, writing, listening and speaking.
- 2. Make an active contribution to the Wider Trust community through commitment to the Language College's extra-curricular programme, including Extended Electives in languages and or programming.

#### **Key Dates:**

Language Scholarship Application Deadline: Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2020 at 12noon.

**Assessment Date:** Monday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2020 from 4.00pm **Results Date:** Friday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2020 after 4.00pm

Main Application Deadline (through your Local Authority): 31st October 2020

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Easting 518492 Northing 181419



#### **Frequently Asked Questions:**

#### Does my child need to be able to speak a language other than English?

No. Application for places is open to all students but, should your child gain a Language Scholarship place, they will be expected to take at least two languages at GCSE Level.

#### Which languages will be taught at Ada Lovelace?

Students will be able to study French, German and Latin as part of the Core Curriculum and Spanish as part of the Extended Curriculum.

# My child has language lessons outside school, should I continue with these or learn with the Ada Lovelace Language College?

It is up to you whether you decide to receive private tuition in languages other than French, German and Latin and this will be something that will be discussed further at your child's induction interview should they be successful.

My child has already passed a number of exam grades in another language, will this help my application? No. The application process takes no account of previous experience although this information is always useful to us should they be offered a place.

### My child is involved in lots of extra-curricular activities already, what commitment will they need to show to Ada Lovelace?

Students enrolled on a 'Language Scholarship place will be expected to commit to a minimum of two hours' per week of wider learning within the Computing or Languages Departments, for example attending Coping club or similar digital enrichment activities. This may also include a commitment to participating in foreign exchanges and hosting exchange students. Language Scholars will be given a discount on foreign exchange trips.

My child has a Special Educational Need. Will they be given a concession during the application process? The application form has a section where you can provide us with as much information as possible regarding any special educational needs your child has. Your child's current school will need to provide full details of the level of support currently provided during assessments so that we are able to make arrangements as deemed appropriate.