# Blue Coat Church of England School & Music College

## Minister / Officials Support Form – Admission 2014/15

**This form to be completed by the Minister / Official of the nominated Worshipping Community of the Child / Parents (Guardians) seeking admission**

**Please read this letter before completing the Support Form**

Dear Colleague

Each year the Governors are usually faced with receiving more applications than we have places available at Blue Coat School. This means we depend very heavily on the Supplementary Information Forms we receive from parents and on the Support Forms completed by the Minister / Official.

The parents of a child (in your worshipping community) are in the process of applying for a place at Blue Coat School for their child, and have completed a Supplementary Information Form They have nominated you / your organisation as one of their places of worship, so we are asking you to complete this Support Form

I would want to assure you that the Governors responsible for dealing with admissions give very serious consideration indeed to the form received from you and rely heavily on the information this gives them to validate and confirm the information provided by the parents. I therefore encourage you to give the Governors as much information as you can to support the application.

If you are in any doubt about how to complete the form, or require any assistance, please contact the Admission Team, at Blue Coat School (Tel 02476 223542, Email admin@bluecoatschool.com).

Blue Coat School greatly values its links with all local worshipping communities and is concerned to have the best possible relationships with them. If you have any particular concern or questions about the admissions process, I hope that you will not hesitate to contact the Reverend Canon Tim Pullen, either through the school or the Cathedral.

Ministers and Officials should be aware that if the application is refused and goes to appeal, the parents have a right in law to see the content of the Support Form. If you have a concern about this please do not hesitate to contact me via the school.

Please do not complete a support form for one of your own children but arrange for an appropriate colleague to complete the Support Form.

Please arrange for the completed Support Form to be returned (before any deadline) to:
**The Admissions Team, Blue Coat Church of England School, Terry Road, Coventry CV1 2BA**

Yours sincerely

Graham D Robinson

Mr Graham Robinson
Chair of Governors

**(please use BLOCK CAPITAL letters throughout)**

**1 Please provide the following information for contact and administrative purposes:**

Name of Child_____

Your Name _____ Position held _____

Contact Tel No. _____

Church/Organisation _____

Denomination / Faith Group_____

**2 Please indicate which best describes the faith denomination of your worshipping community:**

a) Church of England ____ (3pts) b) Roman Catholic ____ (1pt)

c) Other Christian ____ (2 pts)

d) Other Faith ____ (0 pts) e) No Faith Denomination ____ (0 pts)

**3 If you have indicated 2c above, please refer to Appendix 1 and confirm below that the church community that you represent is listed there:**

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**4 Please provide the following information about any siblings known to you, who are currently at the school and who will still attend at the time of admission:**

1) Name _____

Date of Birth _____

Current Form_____

Year of admission _____

Relationship to child_____

2) Name _____

Date of Birth _____

Current Form_____

Year of admission_____

Relationship to child _____

**5 Please indicate the commitment to your worshipping community demonstrated by the child and the parent / guardian (who most regularly attends) - in terms of attendance for public acts of worship, religious instruction or Sunday School over the last 12 months:**

| | Child | Parent / Guardian who most regularly participates | |
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| a) **Weekly (4 pts)** | _____ | _____ | means attendance on more than 45 weeks during the year |
| b) **Regularly (3 pts)** | _____ | _____ | means attendance on more than 10 weeks but less than 45 weeks during the year |
| c) **Monthly (2 pts)** | _____ | _____ | means attendance once per calendar month and, in addition, on more than 10 times during the year |
| d) **Rarely (1 pt)** | _____ | _____ | means attendance on a total of less than 10 times during the year |
| e) **Never (0 pt)** | _____ | _____ | never attends<br>no faith commitment demonstrated |

Please Note – only the attendance of the child and one parent / guardian can be considered. The attendance of other family members can not be included.

**For how long has this applied?** _____

(If parents have been attending for less than 1 year please indicate reason for this)

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How long has this child been known to your Church?

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How long have the parents / guardians been known to your Church?

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**6 If you know that the child already has a sibling at Blue Coat Church of England School please indicate if there has been any change in parental involvement and commitment to the life of your worshipping community since the admission of the sibling.**

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**Assessment of Over Subscription Criteria:**

In considering each application, and as set out in the Admissions Policy, the Governors will adopt the following approach:

Information provided in Section 4 and Section 6 above will be used to determine any Stage 2 criteria:

Information provided in Section 2, Section 3 and Section 5 above will be used to determine any Stage 3 criteria:

The associated points values will be added up to determine the level of Faith Commitment, and will also be used to prioritise attendance of the parent and then attendance of the child.

*In awarding these points the Governors of Blue Coat School have, after consultation with representatives of the Roman Catholic Church, taken into account the significant number of places at Roman Catholic Secondary Schools in the City.*

If this Support Form is incomplete in any way, the Governors may not be able to fully consider the application.

## DECLARATION

**The information given on this application form is true and I understand that any place offered will be withdrawn if the information given is found to be false. The Local Authority / Governors will check the information provided to prevent and detect fraud.**

**Name:** _____

**Signed:** _____ **(Minister / Official)**

**Date:** _____

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Appendix 1

All churches who are members of Churches Together in Britain and Ireland (other than Church of England and Roman Catholic denominations) are considered by the Governors to come within the category of "Other Christian" churches in Section 2c of this form. These include:

Greek Orthodox Church
Serbian Orthodox Church
Baptist Union of Great Britain
Congregational Federation
New Testament Assembly
Moravian Church
Salvation Army UK Territory
Cherubim & Seraphim Council of Churches
Council of African and Afro-Caribbean Churches
International Ministerial Council of Great Britain
Russian Orthodox Church
Seventh Day Adventist Church
Wesleyan Holiness Church
Joint Council of Afro-Caribbean Churches
Religious Society of Friends (Quakers)
Church of Scotland
United Reformed Church
Methodist Church

The Governors have also determined that members of the following local Churches come within the category of "Other Christian" churches in Section 2c of this form:

Abundant Faith Centre
Agape Church
Aldermans Green Free Methodist
All Nations Church
Apostolic Faith Mission
Asian Outreach Punjabi Church
Assemblies of God
Bell Green Life Centre (New Testament Church of God)
Bell Green New Life Church
Balm in Gilead Ministries
Berachah Faith Ministries
Bethel Evangelical Church
Bethesda Chapel
Bilton Evangelical Church
Bretheren in Christ Church
Canley Evangelical Church
Christ Embassy
Christian Life Ministries
Church of God Prophecy
Church Street Gospel Hall
Cornerstone Church of God, Hillfields
Coundon Fellowship
Coventry Asian Fellowship
Coventry Chinese Church
Coventry Christian Fellowship
Coventry Church, Ansty
Deeper Life Bible Church
Durbar Avenue Evangelical Church
El Shaddai International Centre
Elim Pentecostal Church
Emmanuel Church
Faith International Ministry
Father's Heart Chapel
Forward in Faith Ministries - Hillfields
Good Shepherd Lutheran Church
Heartbeat Centre
Hebron Christian Centre
Hillfields Christian Fellowship
Immanuel Church, Greens Road
International Ministries for the Living Word
Jesus Fellowship
Jireh Baptist Church
Jubilee Church
King's Chapel Apostolic Church
King's Church
Kingshurst Evangelical Church
Lawrence Saunders Road Baptist Church
Lee Church, Lapworth
Libyan School, Barr's Hill
Living Rock Church
Living Word Temple, Tottenham
Lower Ford Street Baptist Church
Manor Court Baptist Church, Nuneaton
Miracle Life Gospel Church
Mosaic Church
Mount Zion Pentecostal
Need of our Nation Christian Fellowship
New Horizons
New Life Christian Fellowship
Nuneaton Christian Fellowship
Queen's Road Baptist Church
Presence of God Ministries (Touching Nations)
Redeemed Christian Church of God
Restoration Christian Ministries
Saltisford Evangelical Church
Seventh Day Adventists
Solihull Christian Renewal Centre
Streams of Life
Vineyard Church
Weslyan Reform Union, Bedworth
Word of Life Willenhall Free Church