

Admissions Policy



Summary

This policy concerns admissions to the college for GCSE, A level and NCUK programmes of study. It does not cover extramural programmes of individual tuition or Oxbridge coaching. MPW selects on the basis of academic ability, previous educational record (including prior school references), entrance tests (if appropriate), performance at interview and assessment of special needs. No prospective student is offered a place at the college without attending an interview.

We welcome applicants from all backgrounds, irrespective of nationality, race, religion, gender, sexual orientation or disability. Human rights and freedoms are respected but must be balanced with the lawful needs of our college community and the rights and freedoms of others. Our capacity to deliver appropriate programmes for students with various kinds of disability (including special educational needs) are not all-encompassing but we are always looking to develop them further.

There are size limits to the number of students that can currently be admitted to the whole college, to individual year groups (particularly at GCSE) and to individual classes, where there is an absolute maximum of nine students in any one group. The exception to this is the NCUK Programme where the maximum is fourteen students in any one group. For students seeking admission close to one of our entry points, there may also be timetabling constraints imposed by the combination of subjects being sought, though for those applying in good time there are no such restrictions.

Please note that in this policy, the term "parent" should be understood to mean "parent or educational

subjects at GCSE where these subjects are to be continued at A level (especially in Mathematics and Modern Languages).

- Prospective NCUK students must

in writing by the college. If a student under 18 years old at

- A parental consent letter (U18 students only).

International students are required to have an educational guardian in the United Kingdom in advance of taking up a place at MPW. Overseas entrants therefore are required to complete our Educational Guardianship Agreement Form as part of the admissions process.

Courses at MPW are taught in English. Students will need to meet the required academic criteria in order to undertake these courses; specifically, they are expected to have reached a minimum level equivalent to IELTS 5.5. Additional English language lessons, alongside those for their academic subjects, are compulsory for students until an overall IELTS score of 6.5 is achieved, with at least 6.5 in the written section. In cases where universities have made offers conditional on a lower IELTS Band, such as 6.0, students may be allowed to drop their IELTS classes, at the discretion of their Director of Studies and the Head of EAP and with approval from the Principal.

- The course required is oversubscribed. I