Admissions to Glenwood School

The admitting authority is the Local Authority so all requests for a place must be made through the County's Special Educational Needs Department.

Glenwood School is a community special school that caters for children and young people aged 3 to 19 yrs., all of whom have severe or profound and multiple learning difficulties. Glenwood School works with the local authority to provide education for children and young people aged between Nursery 1 – yr.14 (EYFS to KS5).

Following a statutory assessment the local authority will make a judgement as to where the needs of a child with special educational needs can be met. If the criteria for severe and profound and multiple learning difficulties provide the best fit, then Glenwood School may be consulted and a request for admission made. The school will consider the consultation paperwork to ensure it is an appropriate referral and that we can meet the needs within our defined provision. A place will then be offered.

Glenwood School provides a curriculum and specialist provision designed for children and young people with a range of severe and profound learning difficulties, for which it is provided with an identified level of funding by the local authority. The school is not intended for pupils with other categories of difficulty. Many of the young people who attend Glenwood School have a diagnosis of autistic spectrum disorder.

In considering a referral, the Headteacher, on behalf of the Governing Body will decide firstly whether or not it is appropriate and secondly when the young person can be admitted based on the capacity within the school. The school currently accommodates 191 young people.

It is expected that parents/carers will have visited the school to understand the provision being offered and the context of the school and most importantly to help them decide whether Glenwood can provide the specialist provision that is right for their child.

We work closely with parents/carers to ensure a smooth transition into the school.