

Bristol City Council

Bluebell Valley Nursery School and Weston Park Primary School

Notice is given, under section 10(1) and 15(1) of the Education and Inspections Act 2006, that Bristol City Council, Council House, College Green, Bristol, BS99 7EB intends to:

1. Discontinue Weston Park Primary School, Long Cross, Lawrence Weston, Bristol BS11 0LP on 31 August 2009
2. Discontinue Bluebell Valley Nursery School, Long Cross, Lawrence Weston, Bristol BS11 0LP on 31 August 2009 and
3. Establish a new Community Primary School with Children's Centre on 1 September 2009. The school will occupy a single site at Long Cross, Lawrence Weston, Bristol, BS11 0LP, using the site and buildings of the current nursery and primary schools. The school will serve the Lawrence Weston area.

The Secretary of State's consent has been obtained in order to publish this proposal. This proposal will promote an individualised approach to learning that will enhance the development of care of all children and enable them to develop as competent learners. The new primary school will enable smooth transition between key stages by creating an early years centre within the school. Parents will be able to develop effective partnerships with key staff across the provision.

The new school will cater for pupils between the ages of 3 and 11. The school will provide places for 315 boys and girls from reception to year 6. The school will provide 80 full time equivalent nursery places for 3 and 4 year olds. In addition, there will be a 16 place resource base for pupils aged 3 to 7 with severe learning difficulties and autistic spectrum disorder. Pupils in the resource base will benefit from access to a wider range of curriculum specialism and facilities.

The admission number for the school on the opening date will be 45. Pupils displaced by the closure of Bluebell Valley Nursery School and Weston Park Primary School are intended to be accommodated at the new proposed school. Parents who would prefer their children to attend other schools may seek admission, where places are available, in line with the Local Authority's published admission arrangements. The admission arrangements and over-subscription criteria for the new school will be as stated in Bristol City Council's published admission arrangements for community schools, which comply with the School Admissions Code. Transport between home and school will be provided in accordance with Bristol City Council's published arrangements. Further details about these arrangements can be found at www.bristol-cyps.org.uk.

The proposals to close Weston Park Primary School and Bluebell Valley Nursery School are linked to the proposal to establish the new primary school on the site. This Notice is an extract from the complete proposals. Copies of the complete proposals can be found on the above website or obtained from the School Organisation Team at the address below.

Within six weeks from the date of publication of these proposals, any person may object to or make comments on the proposals by sending them to School Organisation Team, Room 221, PO Box 57, Council House, College Green, Bristol, BS99 7EB.

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