

NURSERY EDUCATION

The school will normally accept children who are three years old at the start of term (1st September, 1st January or 1st April) up to the schools approved capacity. Where the number of applications for admission exceeds the number of places available, morning or afternoon sessions will be allocated applying the following criteria, in the order of priority set out below, up to the approved capacity. Children attending the nursery part time will be allocated an afternoon slot.

Parents should also note that children attending a nursery school will not have an 'automatic' right to continued education at the same school when moving up to a reception class, whether residing within the catchment area or outside it. Parents will be required to complete an application for their chosen school.

Autumn term admissions (Morning sessions allocated as the criteria set below.)

1. Children who are resident within the defined catchment area of the school on or before the published closing date for receipt of application forms.
2. Children who have a brother or sister in attendance at the school during the academic year in which the child is to be admitted. (Where preferences exceed places available, the council determines priority by reference to the age of the pupils' youngest sibling in the school, the youngest commanding the highest degree of priority).
3. Children in chronological date of birth order, the oldest being admitted first. If two or more children have the same date of birth priority will be given to children living nearest the school as measured by the shortest available walking route, those living nearest will have priority. The council uses a Geographical Information System (GIS) to calculate home to school distances.
4. Children who had their third birthday before the last day of the previous term and have a brother or sister in attendance at the school during the academic year in which the child is to be admitted (Where preferences exceed places available, the council determines priority by reference to the age of the pupils' youngest sibling in the school, the youngest commanding the highest degree of priority).

Spring term admissions

Will be allocated afternoon sessions which will revert to the Autumn admissions criteria in the following year.

Summer term admissions

Will be allocated afternoon sessions which will revert to the Autumn admissions criteria in the following year.

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