



GOVERNORS' ADMISSION POLICY

The local authority and the governing body establish the following admissions policy.

Admission to the Nursery

Prior to the start of compulsory education, every child is entitled to receive three terms of funded early years education in a setting of the parent's choice.

There are no full-time places prior to the start of compulsory education in our Nursery. Children may be considered for a part-time place only for a funded entitlement of 15 hours per week. They cannot usually join the Nursery until the start of the term which falls after their third birthday.

A waiting list is kept; it may not always be possible to provide every child with a place. If too many places are requested by parents, the governors will give priority to older children who meet the following criteria:

1. Children who are on the Child Protection 'at risk' register.
2. Children from the normal catchment area of the school with siblings in school.
3. Children who live out of the normal catchment area but who have siblings in school.
4. Children who live in the normal catchment area of the school.
5. Children not living in the normal catchment area of the school.

Children will be admitted as arranged with the Headteacher. If the Nursery places are over subscribed then decisions about applications will be made by the Governor's Pupils and Personnel Committee. Waiting Lists based upon children's dates of birth will be compiled by this committee and parents informed when a place arises.

Admissions to the Reception class

Our school can currently admit only 30 children. Children who have a place in our Nursery do not have an automatic right to a place in the Reception class.

All admissions are made through Local Authority procedures. Contact Middleton House, 27 St. Mary's Gate, DE1 3NN (Tel: 01332 716850). All applications must be submitted to the Local

Authority by their prescribed application date and all applications are dealt with by them not by the school.

All children will be admitted to the Reception Class at the same time and they will start at the beginning of the academic year in which they are five. Detailed arrangements will be given out to all parents of new starters in July prior to their start in September.

Admissions to other year groups

All admissions to other year groups are made through the local authority procedures. We have one class in each year group and the planned admission limit is 30 children. Classes in key stage one must not exceed 30 and only in exceptional cases will children be admitted to the school in key stage two classes where the limit will then exceed 30. These cases will be heard by the appeals committee at the Local Authority.

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