



Nursery Admissions Policy

St Barnabas CofE Primary School

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This policy supersedes all previous Nursery Admissions policies

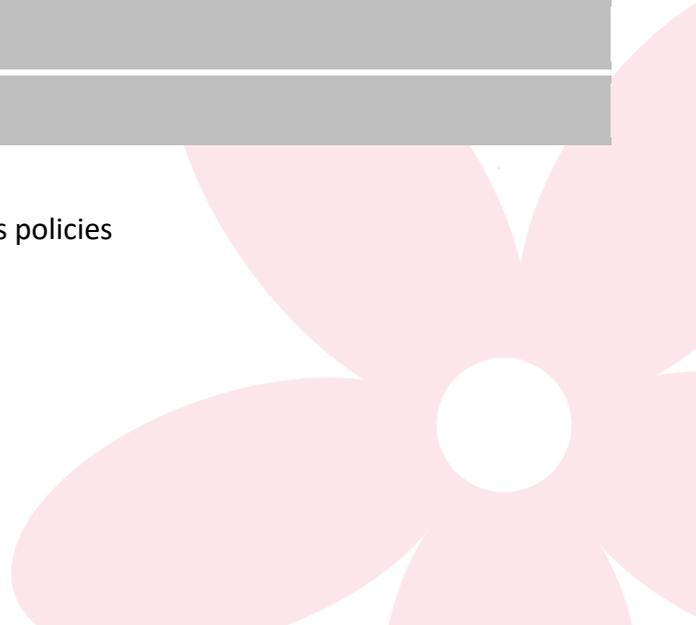




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1. Admission Arrangements

St Barnabas' Nursery has a yearly intake every September. Children can start nursery in the term after their third birthday.

The nursery's admission number is 26 full time or full-time equivalent places.

Where the number of applications is lower than the nursery's admission number, all applicants will be admitted.

If there are more applications than places available then all applications will be considered, together and at one time by a committee of the Governing Body.

2. Oversubscription Criteria

If the number of applications for nursery exceeds the number of places available the following criteria will be used.

1. Looked after or previously looked after children.

Children looked after by the Local Authority (in line with Section 22 of the Children Act) and children who were previously looked after but ceased to be so because they were adopted (or became subject to a residence order or special guardianship order).

2. Children who have a sibling attending St Barnabas CE Primary School at the time they will start Nursery.

Siblings (brothers / sisters) are considered to be those children who live at the same address and either:

- Have one or both biological parents in common (brother/sister or half-brother /sister)
- Are related by a parent's marriage (step - brother/sister)
- Are adopted or fostered by a biological parent

3. Distance from St Barnabas CE primary School to home address.

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Distances are calculated on the basis of a straight-line measurement between the child's home address and the school front gates. We use the system implemented by the Local Authority, which is a computerised system that measures all distances in metres. Ordnance Survey supply the co-ordinates that are used to plot the applicant's address. The home address of a child is considered to be the permanent residence of a child and this must be their only or main residence. Where parents have shared responsibility for a child, then the main residence will be determined as the address where the child lives the majority of the week.

Documentation may be requested in support of any of the above points.

*“Through Jesus we encourage one another and build each other up,
to be our best selves”*

