

ST MARY'S CHURCH OF ENGLAND (AIDED) PRIMARY SCHOOL, BITTESWELL



ADMISSIONS POLICY

The Governors are responsible for admissions to this Church of England Primary School and have agreed with the Local Education Authority to admit 15 pupils for initial entry and this applies to the academic year 2017/2018. It is illegal to have more than 30 children in an infant class.

The dates for admission are as follows:

Children with birthdays between 1st September 2013 and 31st 2014 August inclusive may be admitted as 4+ at the start of the Autumn Term in August.

Children are admitted in the following order of priority:

1. Looked After Children (i.e. children in care of the local authority pursuant to Section 31 3E of the Children Act 1989 or children accommodated by a local authority pursuant to Section 20 of the Children Act 1989 "Looked After Children") and those "previously looked after" as per the Admissions Code 1.7, 1.37 and Sample Admissions Arrangements (1)
2. Children whose permanent parental home is in the parishes of Bitteswell and Ashby Parva.
3. Brothers and sisters of children who currently attend the school. (This includes half-brothers and sisters, adopted brother or sister, step brother or sister, or the child of the parent/carer's partner where the child for whom the school place is sought is living in the same family unit at the same address as that sibling.)
4. Children whose parents are active members of the Church of England in the following parishes in the following order:
 - (a) St Mary's, Bitteswell. St Peter's, Ashby Parva
 - (b) St Mary's, Lutterworth, St Mary's, Cotesbach, St Peter's, Leire, St Nicholas, Frolesworth
(References will be taken up with the home church and minister – details of these will be required on completion of the application form).
5. Children whose parents are active members of the Church of England in other local parishes.
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6. Children whose parents are members of any other Christian denomination as defined by Churches Together in Leicestershire.
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7. Children whose parents wish their children to attend this school.

Making an Application for a Place

Applications must be made to the school, on their common application form, and to the Local Authority. Parents can apply on-line at www.leics.gov.uk/admissions.

Applications must be made to both the school and the Local Authority by mid January 2017.

Offers of a place to any pupil will be made in April 2017.

In the event of over subscription whereby there has to be a choice between children within a category, a place will be offered to the child whose residence front door is closest to the school in a direct line from the front door of the school.

Parents have the right to appeal to the Leicester Diocesan Board of Education if they are unhappy with the Governors' decision not to offer their child a place at this school.

This policy is reviewed annually by the school's Governors.

Policy reviewed November 2015

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