

Priority Criteria for entry

If our school receives more applications than our agreed admission number, priority will be given to those children who meet the criteria set out below, in order:

- (1) Children who are looked after and those children who were previously looked after children. (See Note 1 for definition)
- (2) Children transferring from Barwell Infant School
- (3) Children with a sibling attending the school at the time of application. Sibling is defined in these arrangements as children who live as brother or sister in the same house, including natural brothers or sisters, adopted siblings, stepbrothers or sisters and foster brothers and sisters.
- (4) Other children by distance from the school, with priority for admission given to children who live nearest to the school. This is measured using the measurement from a central geo-coded point of the home address to the school's main front gate. It is measured in a straight line using a computerised mapping system (Routefinder). The child's home in these arrangements is defined as where the child spends the majority of their week, or in 50/50 split in living arrangements, the house that is nearest to school.

In the event that there are more applications than places available in any of the above criteria and a **tie breaker** situation is created, with two or more applications tied for the last place, the place will be allocated by random allocation, i.e., the drawing of lots, overseen by a person independent of the school and governing board.

(An exception - Children whose twin or sibling from a multiple birth is admitted otherwise than as an excepted pupil.)

Allocation of places for children of service personnel and crown servants

For families of service personnel with a confirmed posting, or crown servants returning from overseas, we will allocate a place in advance of the family arriving in the area (as long as one is available), provided the application is accompanied by an official letter that declares a relocation date.

We will use the address at which the child will live when applying our oversubscription criteria, as long as evidence of their intended address is provided with the application, which includes a Unit or quartering address where a parent requests this be the child's home address for the purpose of the application for a place at our school.

Note 1

A Looked after child is;

A child who is in public care (looked after children) or those who were previously looked after, including those who appear (to the admissions authority) to have been in state care outside England, but have ceased to be so because they were adopted or became subject to a child arrangement order or special guardianship order.

By children previously in state care outside of England, we mean children who have been looked after outside of England by a public authority, a religious organisation or another provider of care whose sole purpose is to benefit society. The care may

have been provided in orphanages or other settings. Where Governors are unsure about the validity of the application advice will be sought from the Local Authority's "Virtual School Head"

What if my child has an EHCP naming the school, is looked after or is a previously looked after child?

The school must according to the law, prioritise these children, and must allocate a school place.