

# Bishop Winnington-Ingram Church of England School

## Admissions Policy for Nursery Applications

The Governors, who are responsible for admissions to this Church of England Voluntary Aided School, have agreed with the Local Authority to admit sixty (60) pupils in each year group. This number applies to every academic year from 2009/2010.

Parents and/or Carers of children admitted into the Nursery should note that there is no automatic right of admission into the main school from the Nursery and a separate application will need to be made at the appropriate time for admission to the main school.

**Where there are more applications than there are places available, the Governors will admit pupils according to the following criteria, which are listed in order of priority and reviewed annually:**

1. Children in public care (looked after children).
2. Children domiciled with parents, legal guardians or carers, at least one of whom worships at least twice monthly in an Anglican Church. The Governors reserve the right to ask the Parish Priest to confirm the regularity of worship.
3. Children domiciled with parents, legal guardians or carers, at least one of whom worships at least twice monthly in a church or chapel of a Christian denomination, affiliated nationally to 'Churches Together in Britain and Ireland' (CTBI) or to 'The Evangelical Alliance'. The Governors reserve the right to ask the Priest or Minister to confirm the regularity of worship.
4. Children of other faiths whose parents, legal guardians or carers take part at least twice monthly in their own faith and desire them to attend this school because of this Church of England school's religious tradition. The Governors reserve the right to ask the appropriate religious leader to confirm the regularity of participation in their own faith.
5. Children of families of no religious affiliation but whose parents, legal guardians or carers, wish their children to participate in the ethos of this Church of England School.

**Priority, in the following order, will be given in each category to:**

- a) Children who have brothers or sisters who will themselves be attending the school at the time of the proposed admission.
- b) The proximity of the applicant's home address to the school - measured in a straight line between the Ordnance Survey's address references for the School and the applicant's address.

### **Note:**

1. Children, who have a statement of educational needs which names this school in their statement, are admitted directly to the school.
2. The Governors reserve the right to admit children with an acute medical or social need, which has been documented in writing by the appropriate professional practitioner. The supporting evidence should set out particular reasons why this school is the most suitable school and the difficulties that would be caused if the child had to attend another school.

### **Casual Admissions**

The above criteria will be applied if casual vacancies arise during the school year and there are more applicants than places.