

Flakefleet Primary School

Admissions Policy



The school is a mixed Community Primary school of approximately 375 pupils for children of nursery and primary school age (between the ages of 3 and 11 years). In Lancashire children are eligible to begin primary school in the September following their fourth birthday. The school's admissions policy, available from school, acknowledges that most parents who request admission for their child will secure a place. Where there are more applicants than places, then preference will be given to a child who has a brother or sister already attending the school. A secondary factor will be closeness of the home address to the school. Any parent considering applying to the school for the admission of their child should contact the School Office to arrange an appointment.

Nursery

The school has a nursery with 78 places - 39 in the morning and 39 in the afternoon. A separate brochure describes the nursery more fully. Priority will be given to children who will attend for three full terms. If the nursery is oversubscribed the nursery's admissions policy determines the allocation of places (details available from the office).

ADMISSIONS POLICY FOR COMMUNITY AND VOLUNTARY CONTROLLED PRIMARY SCHOOLS FLAKEFLEET PRIMARY SCHOOL

An admission number will be published showing the maximum number of pupils that the school will admit in autumn term. Admission number for 2011 is 60. Parents will be asked to express preferences for a primary school. If a school is oversubscribed, priority will be given firstly to those pupils whose parents are seeking to admit the child at the beginning of the autumn term. Within this group the following criteria will be applied in priority order:

- a) children with older brothers and sisters who will still be attending the school when the younger child starts (see * below), then
- b) children for whom the County Council accepts there are exceptionally strong medical, social or welfare reasons for admission, which are directly relevant to the school concerned, then
- c) the remaining places will be allocated according to the distance between the child's home and school of the parents' preference and between home and the nearest alternative school with a place

Priority is given to those children living closer to the preferred school than to the nearest alternative school.

* Brother and sisters includes stepchildren, half brothers and sisters and foster children who are living with the same family at the same address.

Notes

- (i) if category (a) and /or (b) above is oversubscribed, category (c) will be used as a 'tie-breaker'
- (ii) children will not normally start at a new school other than at the beginning of a term, unless they have moved into the area, or there are exceptional circumstances