



Admissions Policy

Starting school is an important step in the life of a child; we therefore try to make it a pleasurable and happy one.

The admission procedures for the Nursery Class and the Reception classes operate in line with Birmingham Local Authority's policy.

NURSERY

Parents should apply directly to the school.

The Nursery Class offers 26 PartTime equivalent places. Children start, in groups, in the September of the academic year in which they become four years old. There are opportunities for parents/guardians to visit the Nursery and meet staff before their child starts. We expect children to be fully toilet trained before they start our Nursery, however, arrangements are in place if this is not possible.

RECEPTION

Parents should apply to the Local Authority. Preference Forms are sent to home addresses with parents encouraged to complete these on-line. We have an admission limit of 60 children. Children come into school in the September of the academic year in which they become five, although it is possible to defer entry until the later in the year in exceptional circumstances.

In July, children being admitted to the Reception class who have not been to our nursery, are invited, with their families, to spend a half day in school, getting to know the teachers and becoming familiar with the equipment and surroundings. Parents must be aware that a place in the nursery does not guarantee a place in Reception.

In September, Reception children are admitted on a full time basis.

CRITERIA FOR ALL ADMISSION

Places are allocated in accordance with the Birmingham Local Authority's criteria for admissions, and are offered to: -



1. Application on exceptional grounds including children who have an Educational Health Care Plan that names Yarnfield Primary School as the preferred provider and children in the care of the Local Authority
2. Children who have brothers or sisters already in the school at the time of admittance
3. Children who live nearest to the school by a straight-line measured distance from the school gates.

Parents should contact the school office for admissions to all year groups other than first time applications to Reception. A waiting list will apply if the admission limit of 90 children is exceeded in any year group.

APPEALS

Parents have the right of appeal against non-admittance. Full details can be obtained from the School Admissions and Pupil Placement Service: <http://birmingham.gov.uk/school-admissions>
Application forms can also be accessed on this site.

VISITS TO SCHOOL

Prospective parents are welcome to visit the school at any time during the school day by appointment.

An Open Morning for prospective Nursery and Reception parents is held in the Autumn Term.