All Saints Church of England (Voluntary Aided) Primary School – Kirkby Overblow

Admission Arrangements for 2019-2020

All Saints is a Voluntary Aided Church of England Primary School. As a Church School it is committed to maintaining close links with the local parish and the Diocese of Leeds/West Yorkshire and The Dales. It serves the local community and aims to teach Christian values and standards of behaviour and to demonstrate these qualities in everyday life.

The school can accommodate up to 105 children within the regulatory conditions set by the North Yorkshire Local Authority. Normally, the governors will admit not more than 15 children of Reception age.

Please note Section 324 of the Education Act 1996 states that Governing Bodies are required to admit to school any child with a statement of Special Educational Needs which names the school.

Should there be more applications than there are places available, then the governors will allocate places according to the following criteria, which will be applied in the sequence in which they are set out:

1. A 'looked after child' or a child who was previously looked after but immediately after being looked after became subject to an adoption, residence, or special guardianship order, for whom the school has been expressed as a preference. A looked after child is a child who is (a) in the care of a local authority, or (b) being provided with accommodation by a local authority in the exercise of their social services.

2. Any children with a brother or sister who will still be on school roll at the start of the school year for which the application has been made.

Note. Definition of brothers and sisters: for the purpose of this document, brothers and sisters are defined as children resident at the same address as the applicant for whom the applicant has legal responsibility. This includes brothers and sisters being blood relations, step brothers and sisters, adopted and fostered brothers and sisters.

3. Children who reside within the school catchment area or the ecclesiastical parish of Kirkby Overblow with Sicklinghall. Maps showing the catchment area and the ecclesiastical parish of Kirkby Overblow with Sicklinghall are attached to this policy.

4. Children who reside within the ecclesiastical parish of Weeton with North Rigton & Stainburn. A map showing the ecclesiastical parish of Weeton with North Rigton & Stainburn is attached to this policy.

5. Remaining places will be allocated to any applicant until all places have been allocated

**Tie Breaker 1**
Within each of the above criteria from 2-5, priority will be given to any child from a practising Christian family on the recommendation of their priest/minister. Priority will be given
according to the level of a child’s parent/guardian’s(s’) connection to a Christian Church (see below for a definition of Christian Church), in the following order:

a) At the heart of the Church – someone whose family worships twice a month or more
b) Attached to the Church – is a regular but not frequent worshipper or is regularly involved in a weekday church activity including an element of worship
c) Known to the Church – an occasional but not frequent worshipper or someone involved in church activities such as uniformed organisations

(Definition: Christian Church means a church that is affiliated to the Council of Churches of Great Britain and Ireland, or the Evangelical Alliance).

Tie Breaker 2
In the event of a tie, after church attendance criteria has been applied, then places will be allocated according to the closest distance between the school and the child’s home address. All distance measurements are based on the nearest route recognised by the County Council’s electronic mapping system from a child’s home address to school. The measurement is made from a fixed point within the dwelling, as identified by Ordnance Survey, to the nearest school entrance using footpaths and roads. The routes measured to determine the allocation of school places will be those recognised by the electronic mapping system used by the school admissions team.

Admission Procedure

Parents can register interest in a place for their child at any time by contacting the school office. In the Autumn Term prior to the academic year in which your child will commence in a Reception class, parents need to complete a Common Application Form for the Local Authority and a Supplementary Information Form for the school’s Admissions Committee. The local authority form can be filled in on line at www.northyorks.gov.uk/admissions or paper copies of the form can be requested by ringing the Admissions Team on 01609 533679. Supplementary Information Forms are available directly from the school. The LA will notify parents on our behalf as to whether or not their application has been successful.

Appeals against the governors’ decision not to offer a place must be lodged by the parents, in writing, with the Committee Services Unit at North Yorkshire County Council, within 21 days of the parents receiving notice that their child will not be offered a place. These appeals will be considered by an Independent Appeal Panel and the parents notified, in writing, of their decision.

It is the policy of the governors to admit children full time in the Autumn term. There is a familiarisation programme arranged for children and parents in the weeks before admission to school. Details of this programme will be outlined at the Information Evening for parents of new entrants held in the Summer term. Parents may request part-time attendance or defer entry until later in the Reception Year until the child is of compulsory school age (please see below).

Parents of prospective pupils are warmly invited to make an appointment to visit the school.
Waiting list

Where a child is refused an offer of a place in the school the child's name will automatically be placed on the school's waiting list. The waiting list will be maintained for the remainder of the academic year for which the application was made. Waiting lists will be maintained in order of the over-subscription priorities above.

In-year applications

All in year applications for admission will be co-ordinated through the agreed North Yorkshire co-ordination scheme. Applications for admission will be made using the Local Authority In-year Preference Form. The school may require parents to complete a Supplementary information Form in the case of over-subscription before a place can be offered. Late applications for Reception in Autumn Term will be made in the same way.

Admission of children below compulsory school age

- Children who are offered a Reception place in the school will be able to start school in the September following their fourth birthday.
- Parents may request that the date their child is admitted to the school is deferred until later in the same school year or until the child reaches compulsory school age in that school year.
- Parents may request that their child attends part-time until the child reaches compulsory school age.
- Requests for a child to start their schooling on a part-time basis or to defer the start until they reach compulsory school-age should be addressed to the Headteacher.
- Compulsory school age is the beginning of the term following the child’s fifth birthday.

Deferred entry to primary schools

Parents of children who are offered a place at the school before they are of compulsory school age may defer their child’s entry until later in the school year. Where entry is deferred, the school will hold the place for that child and not offer it to another child during the remainder of the school year for which application was made.

Parents may not defer entry beyond the beginning of the term after the child’s fifth birthday, nor beyond the beginning of the summer term of the school year for which the original application was accepted.
Ecclesiastical Parish Of Kirkby Overblow With Sicklinghall

Ecclesiastical Parish Of Weeton with North Rigton & Stainburn