

Primary

Admissions Policies

For all Primary schools
2017 - 2018

WIRRAL

SCHOOLS IN BIRKENHEAD

C Community Non-denominational schools	VC Voluntary Controlled Church schools	VA Voluntary Aided Church schools	AC Academies

SCHOOL TYPE	SCHOOL NAME AND CONTACT DETAILS	AGE RANGE	ADMISSION NUMBER 2016	APPROXIMATE NUMBER ON ROLL	NURSERY CLASS
C	**Bedford Drive Primary** Bedford Drive, Birkenhead	3-11	60	356	Yes
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: All on-time applicants were offered a places			
	Tel: 0151 645 1561	Admission Policy: Page 79			
C	**Bidston Avenue Primary** Tollemache Road, Birkenhead	5-11	60	419	No
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: Out of zone - Category 7 - 0.60 miles			
	Tel: 0151 652 1594	Admission Policy: Page 79			
VC	**Bidston Village CE Primary** Ballytyne Drive, Birkenhead	3-11	50	281	Yes
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: All offered places			
	Tel: 0151 652 0673	Admission Policy: Page 79			
AC (Girls)	**Birkenhead High School Academy for Girls** Devonshire Place, Birkenhead	3-11	56	365	Yes
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: 52 places offered of 115 applicants			
	Tel: 0151 652 5777	Admission Policy: Page 12			
C	**Cathcart Street Primary** Cathcart Street, Birkenhead	3-11	30	183	Yes
	Headteacher: Ms R Bishop	Last F2 allocated in 2016: Out of zone sibling - Category 4			
	Tel: 0151 647 7349	Admission Policy: Page 79			
VA (CofE)	**Christchurch CE Primary** Mount Grove, Birkenhead	3-11	37	213	Yes
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: All offered places			
	Tel: 0151 652 1278	Admission Policy: Page 16			
C	**Devonshire Park Primary** Temple Road, Birkenhead	3-11	60	464	Yes
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: Out of zone - Category 7 - 0.60 miles			
	Tel: 0151 608 9243	Admission Policy: Page 79			
C	**Hillside Primary** Ridgeview Road, Birkenhead	3-11	30	159	Yes
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: All offered places			
	Tel: 0151 677 9218	Admission Policy: Page 79			
VA (Catholic)	**Holy Cross Catholic Primary** Gautby Road, Birkenhead	3-11	30	143	Yes
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: All offered places			
	Tel: 0151 652 8454	Admission Policy: Page 19			

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C	**Manor Primary** Beechwood Drive, Prenton	3-11	30	100	Yes
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: All offered places			
	Tel: 0151 677 3152	Admission Policy: Page 79			
C	**Mersey Park Primary** Elm Road, Birkenhead	3-11	60	403	Yes
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: Out of zone - Category 7 - 0.48 miles			
	Tel: 0151 647 8197	Admission Policy: Page 79			
VA (Catholic)	**Our Lady and St Edwards Catholic Primary** Price Street, Birkenhead	5-11	60	406	No
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: All on-time applicants offered places			
	Tel: 0151 652 3366	Admission Policy: Page 21			
VA (CofE)	**Oxton St Saviours CE Primary** Holm Lane, Prenton	5-11	35	248	No
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: Category 6 - 0.60 miles			
	Tel: 0151 652 4909	Admission Policy: Page 23			
C	**Portland Primary** Laird Street, Birkenhead	3-11	30	138	Yes
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: Out of zone sibling - Category 5			
	Tel: 0151 652 5124	Admission Policy: Page 79			
C	**Prenton Primary** Bramwell Avenue, Prenton	3-11	60	407	No
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: Out of zone - Category 7 - 1.85 miles			
	Tel: 0151 608 2958	Admission Policy: Page 79			
C	**Rock Ferry Primary** Ionic Street, Birkenhead	3-11	47	289	Yes
		allocated in 2016: Out of zone - Category 7 - 0.76 miles			
	Tel: 0151 645 1017	Admission Policy: Page 79			
VA (Catholic)	**St Anne's Catholic Primary** Highfield Road, Birkenhead	3-11	30	194	Yes
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: Category 8 - 0.20 miles			
	Tel: 0151 645 3682	Admission Policy: Page 27			
VA (Catholic)	**St Joseph's Catholic Primary (Birkenhead)** Woodchurch Road, Prenton	3-11	60	396	Yes
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: All offered places			
	Tel: 0151 652 6781	Admission Policy: Page 29			
VA (Catholic)	**St Paul's Catholic Primary** Farmfield Drive, Prenton	3-11	23	93	Yes
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: All offered places			
	Tel: 0151 652 7828	Admission Policy: Page 31			

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VA (Catholic)	**St Peter's Catholic Primary** St Peter's Way, Prenton	3-11	30	142	Yes
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: All offered places			
	Tel: 0151 677 8438	Admission Policy: Page 33			
VA (Catholic)	**St Werburgh's Catholic Primary** Park Grove, Birkenhead	3-11	30	186	Yes
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: All offered places			
	Tel: 0151 647 8404	Admission Policy: Page 35			
VA (CofE)	**The Priory Parish CE Primary School** Aberdeen Street, Birkenhead	5-11	60	198	No
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: All offered places			
	Tel: 0151 647 7188	Admission Policy: Page 37			
AC	**Townfield Primary School** Townfield Lane, Prenton	3-11	60	424	No
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: Out of zone - Category 7 - 1.07 miles			
	Tel: 0151 652 8498	Admission Policy: Page 79			
C	**Well Lane Primary** Park Road, Birkenhead	3-11	30	164	Yes
	Headteacher: Mrs S Callaghan	Last F2 allocated in 2016: Out of zone - Category 7 - 0.67 miles			
	Tel: 0151 645 9844	Admission Policy: Page 79			
C	**Woodchurch Road Primary** Woodchurch Road, Prenton	5-11	71	437	No
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: All offered places			
	Tel: 0151 652 3104	Admission Policy: Page 79			
C	**Woodlands Primary** Hollybank Road, Birkenhead	3-11	44	297	Yes
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: All offered places			
	Tel: 0151 647 8406	Admission Policy: Page 79			

SCHOOLS IN WALLASEY

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SCHOOL TYPE	SCHOOL NAME AND CONTACT DETAILS	AGE RANGE	ADMISSION NUMBER 2016	APPROXIMATE NUMBER ON ROLL	NURSERY CLASS
C	**Castleway Primary** Castleway North, Moreton	5-11	30	137	No
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: All offered places			
	Tel: 0151 677 2953	Admission Policy: Page 79			

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VA (CofE)	**Christ Church CE Primary School** Upton Road, Moreton	5-11	56	357	No
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: All on-time applicants offered places			
	Tel: 0151 677 5152	Admission Policy: Page 40			
C	**Eastway Primary** Eastway, Moreton	3-11	30	196	Yes
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: Out of zone - Category 7 - 1.23 miles			
	Tel: 0151 677 1235	Admission Policy: Page 79			
C	**Egremont Primary** Church Street, Wallasey	3-11	57	343	Yes
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: All offered places			
	Tel: 0151 638 5406	Admission Policy: Page 79			
C	**Greenleas Primary** Green Lane, Wallasey	5-11	45	329	No
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: Category 5 with a sibling in Year 3			
	Tel: 0151 639 1225	Admission Policy: Page 79			
VA (Catholic) & CofE)	**Holy Spirit Catholic and Church of England Primary School** Gardenside, Moreton	3-11	30	183	Yes
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: Category 5 - 0.46 miles			
	Tel: 0151 638 5180	Admission Policy: Page 43			
C	**Kingsway Primary** Ashville Road, Wallasey	3-11	25	96	Yes
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: All offered places			
	Tel: 0151 638 5195	Admission Policy: Page 79			
C	**Leasowe Primary** Oxley Avenue, Moreton	5-11	30	157	No
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: All offered places			
	Tel: 0151 638 1126	Admission Policy: Page 79			
C	**Lingham Primary** Town Meadow Lane, Moreton	3-11	57	316	Yes
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: All ontime applicants offered places			
	Tel: 0151 677 5381	Admission Policy: Page 79			
C	**Liscard Primary** Withens Lane, Wallasey	3-11	90	638	Yes
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: Out of zone - Category 7 - 0.48 miles			
	Tel: 0151 638 3910	Admission Policy: Page 79			

SCHOOL TYPE	SCHOOL NAME AND CONTACT DETAILS	AGE RANGE	ADMISSION NUMBER 2016	APPROXIMATE NUMBER ON ROLL	NURSERY CLASS
C	**Mount Primary** Mount Pleasant Road, Wallasey	5-11	48	324	No
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: Out of zone - Category 7 - 0.52 miles			
	Tel: 0151 630 3329	Admission Policy: Page 79			
C	**New Brighton Primary** Vaughan Road, Wallasey	3-11	90	557	Yes
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: All on-time applicants offered places			
	Tel: 0151 639 3869	Admission Policy: Page 79			
C	**Park Primary** Alderley Road, Wallasey	3-11	60	392	Yes
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: Category 5 with a sibling in Year 2			
	Tel: 0151 638 6008	Admission Policy: Page 79			
C	**Riverside Primary** Brighton Street, Wallasey	3-11	43	173	Yes
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: All offered places			
	Tel: 0151 639 9787	Admission Policy: Page 79			
VA (Catholic)	**Sacred Heart Catholic Primary** Danger Lane, Moreton	3-11	60	368	Yes
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: Category 6 - 0.84 miles			
	Tel: 0151 677 1091	Admission Policy: Page 45			
C	**Sandbrook Primary** Stavordale Road, Moreton	3-11	30	129	Yes
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: All offered places			
	Tel: 0151 677 3231	Admission Policy: Page 79			
C	**Somerville Primary** Northbrook Road, Wallasey	5-11	75	495	No
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: Out of zone - Category 7 - 0.35 miles			
	Tel: 0151 638 5074	Admission Policy: Page 79			
VA (Catholic)	**St Albans Catholic Primary** Ashburton Road, Wallasey	5-11	56	385	No
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: Category 7 - 0.39 miles			
	Tel: 0151 638 6373	Admission Policy: Page 48			
C	**St Georges Primary** St George's Road, Wallasey	3-11	110	833	Yes
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: Out of zone - Category 7 - 0.74 miles			
	Tel: 0151 638 6014	Admission Policy: Page 79			
VA (Catholic)	**St Joseph's Catholic Primary (Wallasey)** Wheatland Lane, Wallasey	3-11	45	233	Yes
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: All offered places			
	Tel: 0151 638 3919	Admission Policy: Page 50			

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SCHOOL TYPE	SCHOOL NAME AND CONTACT DETAILS	AGE RANGE	ADMISSION NUMBER 2016	APPROXIMATE NUMBER ON ROLL	NURSERY CLASS
VA (Catholic)	**Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Primary** Atherton Street, Wallasey	5-11	45	297	No
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: All on-time applicants were offered a place			
	Tel: 0151 639 2991	Admission Policy: Page 52			

SCHOOLS IN SOUTH WIRRAL

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SCHOOL TYPE	SCHOOL NAME AND CONTACT DETAILS	AGE RANGE	ADMISSION NUMBER 2016	APPROXIMATE NUMBER ON ROLL	NURSERY CLASS
C	**Brackenwood Infant** Pulford Road, Bebington	5-7	60	178	No
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: Out of zone sibling - Category 5			
	Tel: 0151 608 9117	Admission Policy: Page 79			
C	**Brackenwood Junior** Norbury Avenue, Bebington	7-11	60	240	No
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: Not applicable			
	Tel: 0151 608 3001	Admission Policy: Page 79			
C	**Brookhurst Primary** Brookhurst Road, Bromborough	5-11	30	217	No
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: Out of zone sibling - Category 5			
	Tel: 0151 334 4348	Admission Policy: Page 79			
VA (Catholic)	**Christ the King Catholic Primary** Allport Road, Bromborough	5-11	60	421	No
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: Category 5 - 0.91 miles			
	Tel: 0151 334 4345	Admission Policy: Page 54			
C	**Church Drive Primary** Church Drive, Port Sunlight	3-11	44	301	Yes
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: Out of zone - Category 7 - 0.49 miles			
	Tel: 0151 645 5527	Admission Policy: Page 79			

SCHOOL TYPE	SCHOOL NAME AND CONTACT DETAILS	AGE RANGE	ADMISSION NUMBER 2016	APPROXIMATE NUMBER ON ROLL	NURSERY CLASS
C	**Grove Street Primary** Grove Street, New Ferry	3-11	60	278	Yes
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: All offered places			
	Tel: 0151 645 2170	Admission Policy: Page 79			
C	**Heygarth Primary** Heygarth Road, Eastham	3-11	45	282	Yes
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: Out of zone - Category 7 - 0.91 miles			
	Tel: 0151 327 1570	Admission Policy: Page 79			
C	**Higher Bebington Junior** Mill Road, Higher Bebington	7-11	85	350	No
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: Not applicable			
	Tel: 0151 608 1011	Admission Policy: Page 79			
C	**Mendell Primary** Allport Lane, Bromborough	3-11	30	177	Yes
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: Out of zone - Category 7 - 1.29 miles			
	Tel: 0151 334 1432	Admission Policy: Page 79			
VC (CofE)	**Millfields CE Primary** Willington Avenue, Eastham	3-11	30	147	Yes
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: All on-time offered places			
	Tel: 0151 327 1722	Admission Policy: Page 79			
C	**Poulton Lancelyn Primary** Venables Drive, Bebington	5-11	60	395	No
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: Out of zone - Category 7 - 0.54 miles			
	Tel: 0151 334 5021	Admission Policy: Page 79			
C	**Raeburn Primary** Morland Avenue, Bromborough	5-11	60	415	No
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: Out of zone -Category 7 - 0.41 miles			
	Tel: 0151 327 2215	Admission Policy: Page 79			
VA (CofE)	**St Andrew's CE Primary** Townfield Lane, Bebington	5-11	30	210	No
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: Category 7 - 1.21 miles			
	Tel: 0151 645 7782	Admission Policy: Page 56			
VA (Catholic)	**St John's Catholic Infant** Old Chester Road, Bebington	5-7	60	181	No
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: Category 4 - 0.60 miles			
	Tel: 0151 645 5291	Admission Policy: Page 59			
VA (Catholic)	**St John's Catholic Junior** Old Chester Road, Bebington	7-11	60	263	No
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: Not applicable			
	Tel: 0151 645 9615	Admission Policy: Page 61			

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SCHOOL TYPE	SCHOOL NAME AND CONTACT DETAILS	AGE RANGE	ADMISSION NUMBER 2016	APPROXIMATE NUMBER ON ROLL	NURSERY CLASS
C	**Stanton Road Primary** Stanton Road, Bebington	5-11	45	297	No
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: All on-time offered places			
	Tel: 0151 334 1398	Admission Policy: Page 79			
C	**Thornton Hough Primary** St George's Way, Thornton Hough	5-11	25	176	No
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: Out of zone - Category 7 - 2.46 miles			
	Tel: 0151 336 3427	Admission Policy: Page 79			
C	**Town Lane Infant** Town Lane, Bebington	3-7	74	245	Yes
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: Out of zone - Category 7 - 0.78 miles			
	Tel: 0151 608 1918	Admission Policy: Page 79			
C	**Woodslee Primary** Croft Avenue, Bromborough	3-11	46	251	Yes
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: All offered places			
	Tel: 0151 334 1406	Admission Policy: Page 79			

SCHOOLS IN WEST WIRRAL

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SCHOOL TYPE	SCHOOL NAME AND CONTACT DETAILS	AGE RANGE	ADMISSION NUMBER 2016	APPROXIMATE NUMBER ON ROLL	NURSERY CLASS
C	**Barnston Primary** Sandham Grove, Heswall	5-11	45	298	No
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: Out of zone - Category 7 - 1.32 miles			
	Tel: 0151 342 5229	Admission Policy: Page 79			
C	**Black Horse Hill Infant School** Saughall Massie Road, West Kirby	3-7	60	163	Yes
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: Out of zone - Category 7 - 0.55 miles			
	Tel: 0151 625 5238	Admission Policy: Page 79			
C	**Black Horse Hill Junior** Saughall Massie Road, West Kirby	7-11	60	191	Yes
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: Not applicable			
	Tel: 0151 625 8446	Admission Policy: Page 79			

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C	**Brookdale Primary** Escolme Drive, Greasby	5-11	30	211	No
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: Category 5 - sibling in Year 2			
	Tel: 0151 677 5170	Admission Policy: Page 79			
VA (CofE)	**Dawpool CE Primary** School Lane, Thurstaston	5-11	30	214	No
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: Category 6 - 0.92 miles			
	Tel: 0151 648 3412	Admission Policy: Page 63			
C	**Fender Primary** New Hey Road, Woodchurch	5-11	42	232	No
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: All offered places			
	Tel: 0151 677 0425	Admission Policy: Page 79			
C	**Gayton Primary** Gayton Road, Heswall	5-11	30	215	No
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: Out of zone -Category 7 - 1.23 miles			
	Tel: 0151 342 3772	Admission Policy: Page 79			
C	**Greasby Infant** Barker Lane, Greasby	5-7	60	179	No
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: Out of zone - Category 7 - 1.22 miles			
	Tel: 0151 677 2830	Admission Policy: Page 79			
C	**Greasby Junior** Mill Lane, Greasby	7-11	60	250	No
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: Not applicable			
	Tel: 0151 677 1837	Admission Policy: Page 79			
C	**Great Meols Primary** Elwyn Road, Meols	5-11	60	432	No
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: Out of zone - Category 7 - 1.30 miles			
	Tel: 0151 632 4606	Admission Policy: Page 79			
C	**Heswall Primary** Whitfield Lane, Heswall	5-11	30	213	No
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: Category 5 - sibling in Year 3			
	Tel: 0151 342 7491	Admission Policy: Page 79			
VC (CofE)	**Hoylake Holy Trinity CE Primary** Market Street, Hoylake	5-11	45	255	No
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: All offered places			
	Tel: 0151 632 4153	Admission Policy: Page 79			
C	**Irby Primary** Coombe Road, Irby	5-11	30	216	No
		Last F2 allocated in 2016 :In zone - Category 4 - 0.87 miles			
	Tel: 0151 648 2944	Admission Policy: Page 79			

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VA (Catholic)	**Ladymount Catholic Primary** Portal Road, Pensby	5-11	45	300	No
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: Category 5 - 0.34 miles			
	Tel: 0151 648 4326	Admission Policy: Page 64			
AC (Catholic)	**Our Lady of Pity Catholic Primary** Rigby Drive, Greasby	5-11	60	421	No
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: Category 8 - 0.51 miles			
	Tel: 0151 677 6262	Admission Policy: Page 66			
C	**Overchurch Infant** Moreton Road, Upton	3-7	90	268	Yes
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: Out of zone - Category 7 - 1.18 miles			
	Tel: 0151 677 3335	Admission Policy: Page 79			
C	**Overchurch Junior** Moreton Road, Upton	7-11	103	372	No
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: Not applicable			
	Tel: 0151 677 4150	Admission Policy: Page 79			
C	**Pensby Primary** Greenbank Drive, Pensby	5-11	30	216	Yes
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: In zone - Category 4 - 0.42 miles			
	Tel: 0151 648 2643	Admission Policy: Page 79			
VC (CofE)	**St Bridgets CE Primary** St Bridget's Lane, West Kirby	5-11	60	427	No
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: In zone - Category 4			
	Tel: 0151 625 7652	Admission Policy: Page 79			
VA (Catholic)	**St Joseph's Catholic Primary (Upton)** Moreton Road, Upton	5-11	45	303	No
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: All on-time applicants offered places			
	Tel: 0151 677 3970	Admission Policy: Page 68			
VA (Catholic)	**St Michael and All Angel's Catholic** New Hey Road, Woodchurch	3-11	30	194	Yes
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: All on-time applicants offered places			
	Tel: 0151 677 4088	Admission Policy: Page 70			
VA (CofE)	**St Peter's CE Primary** Thurstaston Road, Heswall	5-11	45	320	No
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: All on-time applicants offered places			
	Tel: 0151 342 2556	Admission Policy: Page 72			
C	**Thingwall Primary** Pensby Road, Thingwall	5-11	30	201	No
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: All on-time applicants offered places			
	Tel: 0151 648 4885	Admission Policy: Page 79			

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C	**West Kirby Primary** Anglesey Road, West Kirby	3-11	37	254	Yes
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: Out of zone - Category 7 - 1.66 miles			
	Tel: 0151 625 5561	Admission Policy: Page 79			
VA (CofE)	**Woodchurch CE Primary** Church Lane, Woodchurch	5-11	30	194	No
		Last F2 allocated in 2016: Category 5 - 2.10 miles			
	Tel: 0151 677 4788	Admission Policy: Page 77			

Notes

School type correct at date of publication; subject to change at any time. Please contact the school directly to enquire about the status of the school if this is of concern to you.

Last F2 allocated on initial allocation date in 2016; this information is given as guidance only. The cut-off for the last child allocated a place at any individual school can vary significantly from year to year.

Attendance at a particular nursery class or a pre-school does not guarantee a place will be allocated in the primary or infant school. Nursery classes take pupils from a wider area than the school's zone or parish.

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SCHOOLS IN BIRKENHEAD

*Schools with nursery class

Birkenhead High School (Academy)*

1. Birkenhead High School Academy is a non-denominational all-through school for girls aged 3 to 19 years old and specialises in the teaching of music and mathematics. The Academy admits an all-ability intake and 10% of girls at Year 7 are selected on their aptitude for music. It serves the local and wider community, and welcomes applications from parents both within and outside the Wirral area. The Academy builds on high aspirations, inclusion and excellence.

2. The Academy is sponsored by the Girls' Day School Trust (GDST), and funded in partnership with government.

3. This document sets out the admission arrangements for the Academy in accordance with Annex B to the Funding Agreement between the GDST Academy Trust and the Secretary of State. Any changes to the arrangements set out in this document must be approved in advance by the Secretary of State. Obligations in this document are to be treated as if imposed by the Funding Agreement.

4. This annex may be amended in writing at any time by agreement between the Secretary of State and the GDST Academy Trust.

5. The GDST Academy Trust will act in accordance with, and will ensure that the Independent Appeal Panel is trained to act in accordance with, all relevant provisions of the School Admissions Code and the School Admission Appeals Code published by the Department for Children, Schools and Families ("the Codes") as they apply at any given time to Foundation and Voluntary Aided schools and with equalities law and the law on admissions as they apply to Foundation and Voluntary Aided schools. For this purpose, reference in the Codes or law to "admission authorities" shall be deemed to be references to the governing body of the GDST Academy Trust.

6. The GDST Academy Trust will take part in the Wirral's Admissions Forum and have regard to its advice; and will participate in the co-ordinated admission arrangements operated by the local authority and the local in-year fair access protocol.

7. Notwithstanding these arrangements, the Secretary of State may direct the Academy to admit a named pupil to the Academy on application from a local authority. Before doing so the Secretary of State will consult the Academy.

8. While Birkenhead High School Academy is its own Admissions Authority, it will follow the Wirral Children's Services co-ordinated admission arrangements for Reception and Year 7. Admissions arrangements for Nursery and Sixth Form are managed directly by the Academy.

ADMISSION ARRANGEMENTS APPROVED BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Admission number

9. The agreed admission numbers for the Academy for the academic year 2017-2018, and for subsequent years (subject to any change approved by the Secretary of State), are as follows:

Nursery	18 full-time equivalent
Reception	56
Year 7	108 minus those pupils eligible to transfer from the Academy's own Year 6
Year 12	100 minus those pupils eligible to transfer from the Academy's own Year 11

10. Birkenhead High School Academy may set higher admission numbers as its Published Admission Numbers for any specific year. Before setting an admission number higher than its agreed admission numbers, the Academy will consult with primary and secondary schools in the Wirral. Girls will not be admitted above the Published Admission Number except for good reason. Any such admission shall be reported to the Secretary of State.

11. In the case of twins applying for entry into Birkenhead High School Academy, should one be allocated a place the other will automatically be offered a place.

Arrangements for admission to the Nursery

Process of application

12. Applications for Nursery places at Birkenhead High School Academy are not part of the Wirral Children's Services co-ordinated admissions arrangements and should be made direct to the Academy on the Academy's nursery application form. Applicants should reach the age of **3** during the year **1 September 2016 to 31 August 2017**.

13. The application form should be completed and returned to the Academy by **2 December 2016.**

Consideration of applications for entry into Nursery

14. The agreed admissions number is 18 full time equivalent (FTE) places. Girls will be offered up to five part-time sessions per week. The sessions last 2½ hours and typically will be either all morning or all afternoon sessions.

Oversubscription procedure

15. Where Birkenhead High School Academy is oversubscribed in Nursery the Academy will allocate places using the following criteria which are listed in priority order:

    a) Girls who are in public care (Looked After Children) or were previously in public care, as defined in the School Admissions Code 2012 on the date at which the relevant applications for admission are made, and who a local authority has confirmed will continue to be looked after by it (in accordance with section 22 of the Children Act 1989) at the time they are admitted to the Academy.

    b) Girls who will have a sister, including step, half, adopted or fostered living permanently at the same address, who will continue to be enrolled at Birkenhead High School Academy at the time of the admission.

    c) Girls whose parent/s are currently Teaching, Administrative, Support Staff at Birkenhead High School Academy and have been employed for over two years.

16. Where in category b) there are more applicants than there are places available, places will be allocated on a random basis. Any remaining places will be allocated on a random basis to girls applying from across the Wirral and beyond.

Arrangements for admission to Reception

Process of application

17. Applications for places at Birkenhead High School Academy in Reception will be made in accordance with Wirral Children's Services co-ordinated admission arrangements and will be made on the Parental Preference Form, provided and administered by Wirral Children's Services.

Consideration of applications for entry into Reception

18. The agreed admissions number for Reception is 56.

19. Applications for places for Reception can be made for girls who turn **5** between **1 September 2017** and **31 August 2018.** Parents of girls in the Nursery must apply for a place in Reception using the Parental Preference Form. Applications should be sent to Wirral Local authority by the closing date set out in the Wirral composite Admissions Prospectus.

20. All girls will be offered places in Reception to start in September. However parents and guardians of girls reaching compulsory school age between March and August can defer admission until the following January, if preferred. Nonetheless, applications must be made on the Parental Preference Form on the dates set out above.

21. Where fewer applications than places are received, the Academy will offer places to all those who have applied. If the Academy is oversubscribed it will allocate places in accordance with the procedure set out in paragraphs 22 to 23 below. Girls with statements of special educational needs or an EHCP will be admitted where the Academy is named in the statement.

Oversubscription procedure

22. Where Birkenhead High School Academy is oversubscribed in Reception the Academy will allocate places using the following criteria which are listed in priority order:

    a) Girls who are in public care (Looked After Children) or were previously in public care, as defined in the School Admissions Code 2012 on the date at which the relevant applications for admission are made, and who a local authority has confirmed will continue to be looked after by it (in accordance with section 22 of the Children Act 1989) at the time they are admitted to the Academy.

    b) Girls at the Academy's Nursery;

    c) Girls who will have a sister, including step, half, adopted or fostered living permanently at the same address, who will continue to be enrolled at Birkenhead High School Academy at the time of the admission.

    d) Girls whose parents are currently Teaching, Administrative, Support staff at BHSA and have been employed for over two years.

23. Where in categories b), c) and d) there are more applicants than there are places available, places will be allocated on a random basis. Any remaining places will be allocated on a random basis to girls applying from across the Wirral and beyond.

24. In the event of oversubscription in Reception, the above procedure will be open to scrutiny by an appropriately qualified external consultant appointed by the GDST Academy Trust board.

Casual admissions: i.e. admission to all year groups except Nursery, Reception, Year 7 and Year 12

45. Should girls leave during the course of an academic year, or between academic years, places will be offered to external applicants. If there are more applicants than places the Academy will apply the oversubscription criteria set out above.

46. Notwithstanding the above, the Academy may refuse admission to particular applicants in the specific circumstances described in paragraph 3.10 (children who have been permanently excluded two or more times) of the statutory School Admissions Code or any like provision in any subsequent Code.

Operation of waiting lists for admission - Reception and Year 7

47. Where in any year the Academy receives more applications for places in Reception and Year 7 than there are places available, a waiting list will operate between March and the end of the academic year for which they applied. This list will be maintained by the Academy, and all unsuccessful applicants will automatically be placed on the waiting list unless a parent or guardian requests otherwise. Banding will not be applied to waiting lists once we are full.

    Should a place become available parents/carers will be written to confirm that they wish their daughter/ward to remain on the waiting list. Once confirmed names will be randomly selected by the Registrar and one witness and the place offered to the name selected. Banding does not apply to this process.

48. When, and if, places become vacant they will be allocated to girls on the waiting list in accordance with the oversubscription criteria set out in paragraph 22 for Reception and 33 a) to d) for Year 7.

49. No waiting list will be operated for years other than Reception and Year 7.

Arrangements for the Independent Appeal Panel

50. Parents or carers will have the right of appeal (except in the case of Nursery places - see below) to an Independent Appeal Panel if they are dissatisfied with Birkenhead High School Academy an admission decision of Birkenhead High School Academy or if children in year 11 of the Academy are refused progression to the sixth form. The Appeal Panel will be independent of the Academy. The arrangements for appeals will be in line with the School Admission Appeals Code published by the Department for Children, Schools and Families as it applies to Foundation and Voluntary Aided schools. The determination of the Appeal Panel will be made in accordance with the School Admission Appeals Code and is binding on all parties. The Academy will prepare guidance for parents or carers about how the appeals process will work and provide a named contact who can answer any enquiries about the process.

51. There is no right of appeal for refusal to offer a nursery place.

ANNUAL PROCEDURES FOR DETERMINING ADMISSION ARRANGEMENTS

Consultation

52. Birkenhead High School Academy will consult by 1 March each year on its proposed admission arrangements:

    a) Wirral Children's Services;

    b) The admission forum for the Wirral;

    c) Any other admission authorities for primary and secondary schools located within the relevant area for consultation set by Wirral Children's Services;

    d) Any other governing body for primary and secondary schools (as far as not falling within paragraph c)) located within the relevant area for consultation; and

    e) Affected admission authorities in neighbouring local authority areas.

Publication of admission arrangements

53. Birkenhead High School Academy will publish its admission arrangements each year once these have been determined, by:

    a) copies being sent to the statutory consultees;

    b) copies being sent to primary and secondary schools in the Wirral;

    c) copies being sent to the offices of Wirral Children's Services;

    d) copies being made available without charge on request from the Academy; and

    e) copies being sent to public libraries in the area of the Wirral for the purposes of being made available at such libraries for reference by parents and other persons.

54. The published arrangements will set out:

    a) the name and address of the Academy and contact details;

    b) a summary of the admissions policy, including oversubscription criteria (including any arrangements for admission to post-16 provision);

    c) a statement of any religious affiliation;

    d) numbers of places and applications for those places in the previous year; and

    e) arrangements for hearing appeals.

Christ Church CE Primary School (Birkenhead)

ADMISSIONS POLICY

Parents should be aware before applying that in this school, Religious Education, Collective Worship and our ethos are based on the teachings of the Church of England.
Applications are to be made by using the Common Application Form for Primary Admissions. A Common Application Form can be found at: Wirral Council Pupil Services – 0151 666 2020 or online at www.wirral.gov.uk/schooladmissions. If you do not have access to the internet a paper copy of the form can be collected from any primary school, The closing date for Primary Applications for Foundation 2 is 15th January 2017. Places allocated for Foundation 2 in September 2017 will be offered in April 2017.

If more children apply than there are places available, the Governing Body will decide the final allocation of pupils to schools. Whilst the Governing Body wishes to promote Christian traditions and teachings through the experience it offers to all of its pupils, they welcome applications from all families who live in the Central Birkenhead, Oxton and Tranmere areas. The published admission number for each year group is 38.
Attendance at our Foundation 1 (Rainbows: Nursery) does not guarantee admission into Christ Church Primary School at Foundation 2 (Snowflakes: Reception).
The Governing Body is the Admissions authority for the school but schools admissions are administered by Wirral Council.

We give priority in the following order:

- Looked after children and previously looked after children. Previously looked after children are children who were looked after, but ceased to be so because they were adopted (or became subject to a Residence Order or Special Guardianship Order.) (see note a)
- Children with particular medical or social needs where written evidence from a specialist e.g. Doctor or Social Worker) sets out why this is the most appropriate school. (see note b)
- Children with brothers or sisters at the school who will still be attending school the following year.
- Children who have a sibling in the school who have attended the school in the 2 years prior to admission. (see note c)
- Children from the catchment area surrounding Christ Church School (See note d)
- Children living nearest to the school as measured by the Wirral Local Authority mapping system, using the shortest walking route to the school.

Notes

a) A looked after child is a child who is a) in the care of the Local Authority, or b) being provided with accommodation by a Local Authority in the exercise of their social services functions (under section 22(1) of the Children Act 1989). A previously looked after child is one who immediately moved on from that status after becoming subject to an adoption, residence orspecial guardianship order.
b) Professional supporting evidence from e.g. a doctor, psychologist, social worker, is essential if admission is to be made under the criterion for special medical or social circumstances, and such evidence must set out the particular reasons why the school in question is the most suitable school and the difficulties which would be caused if the child had to attend another school.
c) Sibling refers to brother or sister, half brother or sister, adopted brother or sister, step brother or sister, or the child of the parent/carer's partner, and in every case, the child should be living in the same family unit at the same address.
d) A map showing the boundaries is available from the school and also on the school website: www.christchurchbirkenhead.com.

Children from multiple births
For places for twins, triplets etc., the Governing Body will exercise as much flexibility as possible when allocations take place. Where an Infant Class Size of 30 would be breached by the admission of the additional child/children, the Governors may admit above the limit if it is possible to do so in the current organization of the school.

Children with Statements
Section 324 of the Education Act 1996 requires the governing bodies of all maintained schools to admit a child with a Statement of Special Educational Needs or Education Health and Care Plan (EHCP) that names their school.

Late applications for admission
Where the Local Authority accepts that there are extenuating circumstances for an application being received after the last date for applications, and it is before the governors have established their list of pupils to be admitted, then it will be considered alongside all the others. Otherwise, applications which are received after the last date will be considered after all the others, and placed on the waiting list in order according to the criteria.

Waiting list
Where we have more applications than places, the admissions criteria will be used. Children who are not admitted will have their name placed on a waiting list. The names on this waiting list will be in the order resulting from the application of the admission criteria. Since the date of application cannot be a criterion for the order of names on the waiting list, late applicants for the school will be slotted into the order according to the extent to which they meet the criteria. Thus it is possible that a child who moves into the area later to have a higher priority than one who has been on the waiting list for some time. If a place becomes available with the admission number, the child whose name is at the top of the list will be offered a place. This is not dependent on whether an appeal has been submitted. This waiting list will operate until the end of the autumn term.

Address of pupil
The address used on the school's admission form must be the current one at the time of application. If the address changes subsequently, the parents should notify the school. Where the parents live at different addresses, the current-at-the-time-of-application, normal address of the child will be the one used. This will normally be the one where the child wakes up for the majority of Monday to Friday mornings. Parents may be asked to show evidence of the claim that is being made for the address, e.g. utility bills of various sorts showing the child's address as the one claimed. Where there is dispute about the correct address to use, the governors reserve the right to make enquiries of any relevant third parties, e.g. the child's GP. For children of UK Service personnel and other Crown Servants returning to the area, proof of the posting is all that is required.

Non-routine Admissions
It sometimes happen that a child needs to change school during a school year. From 2013 onwards parents wishing their child to attend this school may arrange to visit the school. All parents will need to contact Wirral Pupil Services to fill in a Common Application Form and will be offered a place by the Governors if one is available. The offer will be made in writing by the Local Authority. If there is no place available in our school then the Local Authority will inform the applicant in writing together with information on how to appeal. Where more than one application is received the over-subscription criteria will be used to rank the applications.

Appeals
Where the governors are unable to offer a place because the school is over-subscribed, parents have the right to appeal to an independent admission appeal panel, set up under the Admissions Appeals Code 2012.

Parents should fill in an appeals form and return it by the allocated date. Parents will have the opportunity to submit their case to the panel in writing and also to attend in order to present their case. You will normally receive 10 days notice of the place and time of the hearing.

If your child was refused a place in Reception or Key Stage 1 because of Government limits on Infant Class sizes, the grounds on which your appeal could be successful are limited. You would have to show that the decision was one which in the circumstances no reasonable governing would have made, or that your child would have been offered a place if the governor's admission arrangements had been properly implemented.
Please note that this right of appeal against the governor's decision does not prevent you from making an appeal in respect of any other school.

Fraudulent applications
Where the governing body discovers that a child has been awarded a place as the result of an intentionally misleading application from a parent (for example a false claim to residence in the catchment area or sibling) which effectively denies a place to a child with a stronger claim, then the governing body is required to withdraw the offer of the place. The application will be considered afresh and a right of appeal offered if a place is refused.

Deferred admission
Children are eligible for a place in Foundation 2(Reception) from the beginning of the school year in which they become 5 years old. However, they do not become of compulsory school age until the start of the term after their 5th birthday. After a place has been allocated and accepted, parents can request that the school place be deferred until later in the school year, holding that place for the child.

Parents may also request that their child attends on a part-time basis until the child reaches compulsory school age.

Holy Cross Catholic Primary School*

ADMISSIONS POLICY

Holy Cross is a Catholic Primary School under the trusteeship of the Diocese of Shrewsbury. It is maintained by Wirral Authority. As a Voluntary Aided School, the Governing Body is the Admissions Authority and is responsible for taking decisions on applications for admissions.

The Catholic Faith and the Teachings of the Catholic Church have an essential role in school life and influence every aspect of the Curriculum. We ask all parents applying for a place here to respect this ethos and its importance to the school community. This does not affect the right of parents who are not of the faith of this school to apply for and be considered for a place.

The co-ordination of admissions arrangements is undertaken by the Local Authority. For the school's year commencing September 2017, the Governing Body has set its admissions number at 30.

ADMISSION TO THE SCHOOL will be made by the Governing Body. All preferences listed on the Local Authority Preference Form will be considered on an equal basis with the following set of ADMISSION CRITERIA forming a priority order where there are more applications for admission than the school has places available.

1. Roman Catholic and non Roman Catholic children who are in the care of the Local Authority (Looked After Children) and previously looked after children.
2. Children who have a sibling at the school at the time of admission.
3. Baptised Roman Catholic children from the parish of Holy Cross and St. Paul's.
4. Baptised Roman Catholic children from other parishes.
5. Children currently attending Foundation One at Holy Cross Catholic Primary School.
6. Non-Roman Catholic children whose parents wish them to have a Roman Catholic education.

NOTES

a) All applicants will be considered at the same time and after the closing date for admissions which is January 15th 2017.

b) 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 functions (under section 22(1) of the Children Act 1989). A previously Looked After Child is one who immediately moved on from that status after becoming subject to an adoption, residence or special guardianship order.

c) For a child to be considered as a Roman Catholic evidence of a Roman Catholic Baptism will be required.

d) All applicants will be required to produce a short birth certificate.

e) It is the duty of governors to comply with regulations on class size limits at Key Stage One. The Governing body may exceed the regulations for twins, siblings in the same year group and children from multiple births where one of the children is the 30th child admitted.

f) If in any category there are more applications than places available, priority will be given on the basis of distance from home to school. Distance will be measured by the shortest walking route from the front door of the child's home address (including the community entrance to flats) using the Local Authority's computerised measuring system, with those living nearer to the school having priority. In the event of distances being the same for two or more applicants where this distance would be the last place/s to be allocated, a random lottery will be carried out in a public place.

g) Where a child lives with parents with shared responsibility, each for part of a week, the child's "permanent place of residence" will be determined as the address of the parent who normally has responsibility for the majority of school days in a week.

h) Sibling is defined as a brother or sister, half brother or sister, adopted brother or sister, step brother or sister, or the child of the parent/carer's partner where the child for whom the school place is sought is living in the same family unit at the same address as that sibling.

i) A waiting list for children who have not been offered a place will be kept and will be ranked according to the Admission Criteria. Parents will be informed of their child's position on the waiting list which will not be operated for longer than the end of the Autumn Term.

j) For 'In Year' applications received outside the normal admissions round and if places are available then children qualifying under the published criteria will be admitted. If there are places available but more applicants than places then the published oversubscription criteria will be applied.

k) If an application for admission has been turned down by the Governing Body, parents can appeal to an Independent Appeals Panel. Parents must be allowed at least 28 days (20 working days) from the date of notification that their application was unsuccessful to submit that appeal. Parents must give reasons for appealing in writing and the decision of the Appeals Panel is binding on all parties.

l) Parents can request that the date their child, if below compulsory school age, is admitted to school is deferred to later in the school year or until the term when they reach compulsory school age.

m) The Governing Body reserve the right to withdraw the offer of a school place where false evidence is received in relation to baptism, sibling connections or place of residence.

Our Lady and St Edward's Catholic Primary School

Our Lady & St Edward's Catholic Primary School is a Catholic Primary School under the trusteeship of the Diocese of Shrewsbury. It is maintained by Wirral Authority. As a Voluntary Aided School, the Governing Body is the Admissions Authority and is responsible for taking decisions on applications for admissions.

The Catholic Faith and the Teachings of the Catholic Church have an essential role in school life and influence every aspect of the Curriculum. We ask all parents applying for a place here to respect this ethos and its importance to the school community. This does not affect the right of parents who are not of the Faith of this school to apply for and be considered for a place here.

The co-ordination of admissions arrangements is undertaken by the Local Authority. For the school's year commencing September 2017, the Governing Body has set its admissions number at 60.

ADMISSIONS TO THE SCHOOL will be made by the Governing Body. All preferences listed on the Local Authority Preference Form will be considered on an equal basis with the following set of ADMISSIONS CRITERIA forming a priority order where there are more applications for admissions than the school has places available.

1. Baptised Catholic Looked After Children and previously Looked After Children.
2. Children who have a sibling in the school at the time of admission.
3. Baptised Catholic children resident in the parish(es) of Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception and the portion of the Joint Parish of St Laurence and St Werburgh north of Conway Street.
4. Baptised Catholic children from other parishes.
5. Non Catholic Looked After Children and previously Looked After Children.
6. Children who attend Our Lady & St Edward's Pre-School.
7. Other children.

NOTES

a) All applicants will be considered at the same time and after the closing date for admissions which is agreed by Wirral Local Authority.

b) 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 functions (under section 22(1) of the Children Act 1989). A previously Looked After Child is one who immediately moved on from that status after becoming subject to an adoption, residence or special guardianship order.

c) For a child to be considered as a Catholic evidence of a Catholic Baptism will be required.

d) It is the duty of governors to comply with regulations on class size limits at Key Stage One.

e) If in any category there are more applications than places available, priority will be given on the basis of distance from home to school.

Distance will be measured by the shortest walking route from the front door of the child's home address (including the community entrance to flats) using the Local Authority's computerised measuring system, with those living nearer to the school having priority. In the event of distances being the same for 2 or more applicants where this distance would be the last place/s to be allocated, a random lottery will be carried out in a public place. All the names will be entered into a hat and the required number of names will be drawn out. Where a child lives with parents with shared responsibility, each for part of a week, the child's "permanent place of residence" will be determined as the address of the parent who normally has responsibility for the majority of school days in a week.

f) Sibling is defined as a brother or sister, half brother or sister, adopted brother or sister, step brother or sister, or the child of the parent/carer's partner where the child for whom the school place is sought is living in the same family unit at the same address as that sibling.

g) A waiting list for children who have not been offered a place will be kept and will be ranked according to the Admission Criteria. Parents will be informed of their child's position on the waiting list which will not be operated for longer than the end of the Autumn Term.

h) For 'In Year' applications received outside the normal admissions round and if places are available then children qualifying under the published criteria will be admitted. If there are places available but more applicants than places then the published oversubscription criteria will be applied.

i) If an application for admission has been turned down by the Governing Body, parents can appeal to an Independent Appeals Panel. Parents must be allowed at least twenty school days from the date of notification that their application was unsuccessful to submit that appeal. Parents must give reasons for appealing in writing and the decision of the Appeals Panel is binding on the Governors.

j) Parents can request that the date their child, if below compulsory school age, is admitted to school is deferred to later in the school year or until the term when they reach compulsory school age.

k) The Governing Body reserve the right to withdraw the offer of a school place where false evidence is received in relation to baptism, sibling connections or place of residence.

Oxton St Saviour's CofE Primary School

Parents should be aware before applying that in this school RE, collective worship and our whole ethos are based on the teachings of the Church of England.

Applications for admission to the school should be made on the common application form enclosed with the Local Authority's brochure and also on the School's supplementary form if you are applying under criteria 2, 3, 4, 7 or 8 between September 2016 and 15 January 2017.

Applications may also be made on-line by using both the common application form and the Supplementary Form. It is not normally possible to change the order of your preferences for schools after the closing date. Whether application is made on paper or electronically, **both the common application form and the supplementary form must be completed by those applying under criteria 2, 3, 4, 7 or 8.**

Letters informing parents of whether or not their child has been allocated a place will be sent out by the Local Authority in April. Parents of children not admitted will be informed of the reason and offered an alternative place by the Authority.

The number of places available for admission to the Reception class will be a maximum of 35. This arrangement follows consultation between the governing body, the Diocesan Board of Education, Local Authorities and other admissions authorities in the area. The governing body will not place any restrictions on admissions to the reception class unless the number of children for whom admission is sought exceeds this number. By law, no infant class may contain more than thirty children. However the governors may admit above the admission number in certain circumstances. Please contact the school for clarification.

The Governing Body operates a system of equal preferences under which they consider all preferences equally and the Local Authority allocates places according to its policy. In the event that there are more applicants than places, the governing body will allocate places using the following criteria, which are listed in order of priority:

1. Looked after children and previously looked after children. (see note a)
2. Children with special medical or social circumstances affecting the child where these needs can only be met at this school. (see note b)
3. Children whose parents are faithful and regular worshippers in the Parish Church of Oxton St Saviour, Birkenhead with St Andrew Noctorum and who have a sibling in school who will still be attending the following year (see note c)
4. Children whose parents are faithful and regular worshippers in the Parish Church of Oxton St Saviour Birkenhead with St Andrew Noctorum. (see note c)
5. Children who have a sibling in school who will still be attending school the following year.
6. Children resident in the parish of Oxton St. Saviour, Birkenhead with St. Andrew Noctorum. A map showing the parish is available from the school and on the school website: www.oxtonstsaviours.wirral.sch.uk
7. Children whose families are faithful and regular worshippers in a neighbouring Anglican Church for whom this is the closest Church of England school based on the distance from the school measured by the shortest walking route from the front door of the child's home address or the main entrance of the block of flats they reside in, to the nearest entrance of the school, using the Local Authority's computerised measuring system, with those living closer to the school receiving the higher priority. In the event of a tie break a lottery will be undertaken. (see note d).
8. Children whose families are faithful and regular worshippers of another Christian denomination, as recognised by Churches Together in Britain and Ireland and for whom this is the closest Church of England school based on the distance from the school measured by the shortest walking route from the front door of the child's home address or

the main entrance of the block of flats they reside in to the nearest entrance of the school, using the Local Authority's computerised measuring system, with those living closer to the school receiving the higher priority. In the event of a tie break a lottery will be undertaken. (see note d)

9. Other children.

NOTES

a) A looked after child is a child who is a) in the care of the Local Authority, or b) being provided with accommodation by a Local Authority in the exercise of their social services functions (under section 22(1) of the Children Act 1989) A previously looked after child is one who immediately moved on from that status after becoming subject to an adoption, residence or special guardianship order.

b) Professional supporting evidence from e.g. a doctor, psychologist, social worker, is essential if admission is to be made under the criterion for special medical or social circumstances, and such evidence must set out the particular reasons why the school is question is the most suitable school and the difficulties which would be caused if the child had to attend another school.

c) By "faithful and regular" we mean attendance at a minimum of two services per month for at least 2 years prior to the closing date for applications. Please post your supplementary form to: **The Parish Office, St Saviour's Parish Centre, Bidston Road, Prenton, Wirral, CH43 2JZ**, a receipt will be sent to you. The form will be completed by the incumbent or their authorised signatory and returned to school.

d) Please ensure your supplementary form has been completed by your minister and posted to: **The Parish Office, St Saviour's Parish Centre, Bidston Road, Prenton, Wirral, CH43 2JZ**.

e) A parent is any person who has parental responsibility or care of the child. Where admission arrangements refer to 'parent's attendance at church' it is sufficient for just one parent to attend.

f) A map showing the boundaries is available from the school and also on the school website: www.oxtonstsaviours.wirral.sch.uk

g) Sibling refers to brother or sister, half brother or sister, adopted brother or sister, step brother or sister, or the child of the parent/carer's partner, and in every case, the child should be living in the same family unit at the same address.

h) Where the above criteria are not adequate to distinguish between requests for admission which cannot all be accepted without exceeding the admission limit, priority will be decided on the basis of the distance from the school measured by the shortest walking route from the front door of the child's home address or the main entrance of the block of flats they reside in to the nearest entrance of the school, using the Local Authority's computerised measuring system, with those living closer to the school receiving the higher priority. In the event of a tie break a lottery will be undertaken in a public place with names drawn from a box.

i) All children with birthdays between 1 September 2012 and 31 August 2013 are admitted in September. For children with a birthday after Christmas or after Easter parents may defer entry until later in the year and the headteacher should be consulted if this option is being considered.

Children with Statements
Section 324 of the Education Act 1996 requires the governing bodies of all maintained schools to admit a child with a Statement of Special Education Needs or Education Health Care Plan that names their school.

Multiple Births
Where there are children from multiple births wanting admission and there is only a single place left within the admission number, the governors may admit above the admission number if it is possible to accommodate them.

Admissions information
Last year the school was oversubscribed. The Admissions Committee applied the criteria and ranked the children accordingly and as a consequence all 35 places were filled.

Late applications for admission
Where there are extenuating circumstances for an application being received after the last date for applications, and it is before the governors have established their list of pupils to be admitted, then it will be considered alongside all the others.

Otherwise, applications which are received after the last date will be considered after all the others, and placed on the waiting list in order according to the criteria.

Waiting list
Where we have more applications for FS2 than places, the admissions criteria will be used. Children who are not admitted will have their name placed on a waiting list which is held and administered by the local authority. The names on this waiting list will be in the order resulting from the application of the admissions criteria. Since the date of application cannot be a criterion for the order of names on the waiting list, late applicants for the school will be slotted into the order according to the extent to which they meet the criteria. Thus it is possible that a child who moves into the area later to have a higher priority than one who has been on the waiting list for some time. If a place becomes available within the admission number, the child whose name is at the top of the list will be offered a place. This is not dependent on whether an appeal has been submitted.

This waiting list will operate until the end of the autumn term only.

Address of pupil
The address used on the school's admission form must be the current one at the time of application. If the address changes subsequently, the parents should notify the school and the Local Authority. Where the parents live at different addresses, the current-at-the-time-of-application, normal address of the child will be the one used. This will normally be the one where the child wakes up for the majority of Monday to Friday mornings. Parents may be asked to show evidence of the claim that is being made for the address, e.g. utility bill showing the child's address as the one claimed. Where there is dispute about the correct address to use, the governors reserve the right to make enquiries of any relevant third parties, e.g. the child's GP. For children of UK Service personnel and other Crown Servants returning to the area proof of the posting is all that is required.

Non-routine admissions
It sometimes happens that a child needs to change school other than at the "normal" time; such admissions are known as non-routine admissions. Admission will then be as in the Local Authority's coordinated scheme.

Appeals
Where the governors are unable to offer a place because the school is over subscribed, parents have the right to appeal to an independent admission appeal panel, set up under the School Standards and Framework Act, 1998, as amended by the Education Act, 2002. **Parents should notify the Director of Law, HR and Asset Management, Town Hall, Brighton Street, Wallasey, CH44 8ED of their intention to appeal, they will then be supplied with an appeal form which should be returned within 4 weeks of receiving the letter refusing a place**. You will normally receive 14 days' notice of the place and time of the hearing which parents can attend in order to present their case or alternatively they can rely on their written submission.

If your child was refused a place in Reception or Key Stage 1 because of Government limits on Infant class sizes, the grounds on which your appeal could be successful are limited. You would have to show that the decision was one which in the circumstances no reasonable governing would have made, or that your child would have been offered a place if the governors' admissions arrangements had been properly implemented.

Please note that this right of appeal against the governors' decision does not prevent you from making an appeal in respect of any other school.

Fraudulent applications
Where the governing body discovers that a child has been awarded a place as the result of an intentionally misleading application from a parent (for example a false claim to residence in the catchment area or of involvement in a place of worship) which effectively denies a place to a child with a stronger claim, then the governing body is required to withdraw the offer of the place. The application will be considered afresh and a right of appeal offered if a place is refused.

Deferred admission
If your child is due to start school during the next academic year, it is important that you apply for a place for September. If your child's fifth birthday is between the months of September and December, then, if you wish it, admission may be deferred until January; if it is between January and April, then admission may be deferred until the start of the summer term though it is likely to be in your child's interest to start no later than January.

St Anne's Catholic Primary School*

Saint Anne's is a Catholic Primary School in the trusteeship of the Diocese of Shrewsbury. It is maintained by Wirral Education Authority and is a Voluntary Aided School. The Governing Body is the Admissions Authority and is responsible for taking all decisions on applications for admissions.

The co-ordination of admissions arrangements is undertaken by the Local Authority. For the school's year commencing September 2017, the Governing Body has set its admissions number at 30.

The Catholic Faith and the Teachings of the Catholic Church have an essential role in school life and influence every aspect of the Curriculum. We ask all parents applying for a place here to respect this ethos and its importance to the school community. This does not affect the right of parents who are not of the Faith of this school to apply for and be considered for a place here.

ADMISSIONS TO THE SCHOOL will be determined by the Governing Body. Parents must complete a Local Authority Preference Form or apply online via the website. All preferences listed on the Local Authority Preference Form will be considered on an equal basis with the following set of ADMISSIONS CRITERIA forming a priority order where there are more applications for admissions than the school has places available.

1. Baptised Catholic Looked After Children and previously Looked After Children.
2. Baptised Catholic children who have a sibling in St. Anne's at the time of admission.
3. Baptised Catholic children resident in the parish of Saint Anne's, Rock Ferry.
4. Baptised Catholic children from other parishes.
5. Non Catholic Looked After Children and previously Looked After Children.
6. Non Catholic children who have a sibling at the school at the time of admission.
7. Children who attend St. Anne's Foundation 1 class.
8. Other Children.

NOTES

a) All applicants will be considered at the same time and after the closing date for admissions which is 15 January 2017. Applications received after this date will be treated as a late application and will not be considered until after the main allocation of places has taken place.

b) A Looked After Child is a child who is (a) in the care of the Local Authority, or (b) being provided with accommodation by a Local Authority in the exercise of their Social Services functions (under section 22(1) of the Children Act 1989). A previously Looked After Child is one who immediately moved on from that status after becoming subject to an adoption, residence or special guardianship order.

c) All applicants will be required to produce a short birth certificate.

d) For a child to be considered as a Catholic evidence of a Catholic Baptism will be required.

e) It is the duty of governors to comply with regulations on class size limits at Key Stage One. The Governing body may exceed the regulations for twins, siblings in the same year group and children from multiple births where one of the children is the 30th child admitted.

f) If in any category there are more applications than places available, priority will be given on the basis of distance from home to school. Distance will be measured by the shortest walking route from the front door of the child's home address (including the community entrance of flats) using the Local Authority's computerised measuring

system with those living nearer to the school having priority. In the event of distances being the same for 2 or more applicants where this distance would be last place(s) to be allocated, a random lottery will be carried out in a public place.

g) Where a child lives with parents with shared responsibility, each for part of a week, the child's ''permanent place of residence'' will be determined as the address of the parent who normally has responsibility for the majority of school days in a week.

h) Sibling is defined as brother or sister, half brother or sister, adopted brother or sister, step brother or sister, or the child of the parent/carer's partner where the child for whom the school place is sought is living in the same family unit at the same address as that sibling.

i) A waiting list for children who have not been offered a place will be kept and will be ranked according to the Admission Criteria. Parents will be informed of their child's position on the waiting list which will not be operated for longer than the end of the Autumn Term.

j) For 'In year' applications received outside the normal admissions round and if places are available then children qualifying under the published criteria will be admitted. If there are places available but more applicants than places then the published oversubscription criteria will be applied.

k) If an application for admission has been turned down by the Governing Body, parents can appeal to an Independent Appeals Panel. Parents must be allowed at least twenty school days from the date of notification that their application was unsuccessful to submit that appeal. Parents must give reasons for appealing in writing and the decision of the Appeals Panel is binding on all parties.

l) Parents can request that the date their child, if below compulsory school age, is admitted to school is deferred to later in the school year until the term when they reach compulsory school age.

m) The Governing Body reserve the right to withdraw the offer of a school place where false evidence is received in relation to baptism, sibling connection or place of residence.

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School (Birkenhead)*

St Joseph's Catholic Primary is a Catholic Primary School under the trusteeship of the Diocese of Shrewsbury. It is maintained by Wirral Authority. As a Voluntary Aided School, the Governing Body is the Admissions Authority and is responsible for taking decisions on applications for admissions. The co-ordination of admissions arrangements is undertaken by the Local Authority. For the school's year commencing September 2017, the Governing Body has set its admissions number at 60.

ADMISSIONS TO THE SCHOOL will be made by the Governing Body. All preferences listed on the Local Authority Preference Form will be considered on an equal basis with the following set of ADMISSIONS CRITERIA forming a priority order where there are more applications for admissions than the school has places available.

1. Children who are in the care of the Local Authority (Looked after children) or previously looked after.
2. Children who have a sibling in the school at the time of admission.
3. Baptised Catholic children resident in the parishes of Holy Name and St Joseph's.
4. Baptised Catholic children from other parishes.
5. Children currently attending Foundation One at St. Joseph's Catholic Primary.
6. Non Catholic children whose parents wish them to have a Catholic education.

NOTES

a) All applicants will be considered at the same time and after the closing date for admissions which is 15 January 2017.

b) All Catholic applicants will be required to produce baptismal certificates.

c) It is the duty of governors to comply with class size limits at Key Stage One.

d) If category (3) or subsequent categories are oversubscribed i.e. there are more applications than places available, priority will be given on the basis of distance from home to school, those living nearer to the school having priority. Distance will be measured by the shortest walking route from the front door of the child's home address (including the community entrance to flats) to the main entrance of the school using the Local Authority's computerised measuring system with those living nearer to the school having priority. In the event of distances being the same for 2 or more applicants where this distance would be last place/s to be allocated, a random lottery will be carried out in a public place. All the names will be entered into a hat and the required number of names will be drawn out.

e) Sibling is defined as a brother or sister, half brother or sister, adopted brother or sister, step brother or sister, or the child of the parent/carer's partner where the child for whom the school place is sought is living in the same family unit at the same address as that sibling.

f) A waiting list for children who have not been offered a place will be kept and will be ranked according to the Admission Criteria. Parents will be informed of their child's position on the waiting list which will not be operated for longer than the end of the autumn term.

g) For 'In Year' applications received outside the normal admissions round and if places are available then children qualifying under the published criteria will be admitted. If there are places available but more applicants than places then the published oversubscription criteria will be applied. 'In Year' and late applications will be treated as per the admissions arrangements published by the Local Authority.

h) If an application for admission has been turned down by the Governing Body, parents can appeal to an Independent Appeals Panel. This appeal must be sent in writing to the Clerk to the Governors at the school within 28 days of refusal. Parents must give reasons for appealing in writing and the decision of the Appeals Panel is binding on the Governors.

i) The Governing Body reserve the right to withdraw the offer of a school place where false evidence is received in relation to baptism, sibling connections or place of residence.

St Paul's Catholic Primary School*

St Pauls is a Catholic Primary School under the trusteeship of the Diocese of Shrewsbury. It is maintained by Wirral Authority. As a Voluntary Aided School, the Governing Body is the Admissions Authority and is responsible for taking decisions on applications for admissions. The co-ordination of admissions arrangements is undertaken by the Local Authority. For the school's year commencing September 2017, the Governing Body has set its admissions number at 23.

ADMISSIONS TO THE SCHOOL will be made by the Governing Body. All preferences listed on the Local Authority Preference Form will be considered on an equal basis with the following set of ADMISSIONS CRITERIA forming a priority order where there are more applications for admissions than the school has places available.

1. Looked After Children and previously Looked After Children.
2. Children who have a sibling in the school at the time of admission.
3. Baptised Catholic children resident in the parish of St Paul's.
4. Baptised Catholic children from other parishes.
5. Other children whose parents wish them to have a Catholic Education.

Within all categories the Governors will give preference to Catholic children.

NOTES

a) All applicants will be considered at the same time and after the closing date for admissions.

b) All Catholic applicants will be required to produce baptismal certificates.

c) It is the duty of governors to comply with class size limits at Key Stage One. The Governing Body may exceed the regulations for twins and children from multiple births where one of the children is the 23rd admitted.

d) If any category is oversubscribed i.e. there are more applications than places available, priority will be given on the basis of distance from home to school. Distance will be measured by shortest walking distance from the child's home address (including the community entrance to flats) to the main entrance of the school using the Local Authority's computerised measuring system with those living nearer to the school having priority. In the event of distances being the same for 2 or more applicants where this distance would be last place/s to be allocated, a random lottery will be carried out in a public place. All the names will be entered into a hat and the required number of names will be drawn out.

e) Where a child lives with parents with shared responsibility, each for part of a week, the child's "permanent place of residence" will be determined as the address of the parent who normally has responsibility for the majority of school days in a week.

f) Sibling is defined as a brother or sister, half brother or sister, adopted brother or sister, step brother or sister, or the child of the parent/carer's partner where the child for whom the school place is sought is living in the same family unit at the same address as that sibling.

g) A waiting list for children who have not been offered a place will be kept and will be ranked according to the Admission Criteria. Parents will be informed of their child's position on the waiting list which will not be operated for longer than the end of the Autumn Term.

h) For 'In Year' applications received outside the normal admissions round and if places are available then children qualifying under the published criteria will be admitted. If there are places available but more applicants than places then the published oversubscription criteria will be applied. 'In Year' and late applications will be treated as per the co-ordinated arrangements published by the Local Authority.

i) If an application for admission has been turned down by the Governing Body, parents can appeal to an Independent Appeals Panel. Parents must be allowed at least twenty school days from the date of notification that their application was unsuccessful to submit that appeal. Parents must give reasons for appealing in writing and the decision of the Appeals Panel is binding on the Governors.

j) The Governing Body reserve the right to withdraw the offer of a school place where false evidence is received in relation to baptism, sibling connections or place of residence.

St Peter's Catholic Primary School*

St Peter's is a Catholic Primary School under the trusteeship of the Diocese of Shrewsbury and is maintained by Wirral Education Authority. As a Voluntary Aided School, the Governing Body is the Admissions Authority and is responsible for taking decisions on applications for admissions. The co-ordination of the admission arrangements is undertaken by the Local Authority. For the school year commencing September 2017, the governing Body has set its admissions number at 30.

The Catholic Faith and the Teachings of the Roman Catholic Church have an essential role in school life and influence every aspect of the Curriculum. We ask all parents applying for a place here to respect this ethos and its importance to the school community. This does not affect the right of parents who are not of the Faith of this school to apply for and be considered for a place here.

ADMISSIONS TO THE SCHOOL will be made by the Governing Body. All preferences listed on the Local Authority Preference Form will be considered on an equal basis with the following set of ADMISSIONS CRITERIA forming a priority order where there are more applications for admission than the school has places available.

1. Looked After Children and previously Looked After Children (as defined by the Children Act).
2. Baptised Catholic children who have a sibling at the school at the time of admission.
3. Baptised Catholic children resident in the parish of St Peter's, or Holy Name of Jesus, Birkenhead.
4. Other baptised Catholic children
5. Other children who have a sibling at the school
6. All remaining applicants

NOTES

a) All applicants will be considered at the same time and after the closing date for admissions which is 15 January 2017.

b) All applicants will be required to produce a Birth Certificate

c) All Catholic applicants will be required to produce baptismal certificates

d) It is the duty of governors to comply with class size limits at Key Stage 1.

e) Siblings are defined as pupils who have brothers or sisters (including half brothers or half sisters or step brothers or step sisters living in the same household) at the school in September.

f) A Looked After Child is a child who is (a) in the care of the Local Authority, or (b) being provided with accommodation by a Local Authority in the exercise of its Social Services functions (under section 22(1) of the Children Act 1989). A previously Looked After Child is one who immediately moved on from that status after becoming subject to an adoption, residence or special guardianship order.

g) If category (2) is oversubscribed, children who satisfy (2) and (3) will have priority over children who satisfy only (2). Subsequently, if in this or any category there are more applications than places available, priority will be given on the basis of distance from home to school with those living nearer the school having priority. Distance will be measured by the shortest walking route from the front door of the child's home address (including flats) to the main entrance of the school using the Local Authority's computerised measuring system, with those living nearer the school having priority. In the event of distances being the same for 2 or more applicants where this distance would be last place(s) to be allocated, a random lottery will be carried out in a public place. All the names will be entered into a hat and the required number of names will be drawn out.

h) Where a child lives with parents with shared responsibilty each for part of a week, the child's 'permanent place of residence' will be determined as the address of the parent who normally has responsibility for the majority of school days in a week.

i) For 'In Year' applications received outside the normal admissions round and if places are available, then children qualifying under the published criteria will be admitted. If there are places available but more applicants than places then the published over subscription criteria will be applied. 'In Year' and late applications will be treated as per the admission arrangements published by the Local Authority.

j) If an application for admission has been turned down by the Governing Body, Parents can appeal to an Independent Appeals Panel. Parents have at least twenty school days from the date of notification that their application was unsuccessful to submit that appeal. Parents must give reasons for appealing in writing and the decision of the Appeals Panel is binding on the Governors.

k) A waiting list for children who have not been offered a place will be kept and will be ranked according to the Admission Criteria. Parents will be informed of their child's position on the waiting list which will not be operated for longer than the end of the Autumn Term.

l) If a child is a "summer born child", parents may request that the date their child is admitted to school is deferred to later in the school year. However, the child must start school before the end of that school year. If a parent wishes their child to be educated out of their normal school year (kept back a year), they must discuss this with the school before applying. However the final decision on this rests with the headteacher.

m) Parents may request that their child attend school part-time until he/she reaches his/her fifth birthday.

St Werburgh's Catholic Primary School*

St. Werburgh's is a Catholic Primary School under the trusteeship of the Diocese of Shrewsbury. It is maintained by Wirral Authority. As a Voluntary Aided School, the Governing Body is the Admissions Authority and is responsible for taking decisions on applications for admissions.

The Catholic Faith and the Teachings of the Catholic Church have an essential role in school life and influence every aspect of the curriculum. We ask all parents applying for a place here to respect this ethos and its importance to the school community. This does not affect the right of parents who are not of the faith of this school to apply for and be considered for a place here.

The co-ordination of admissions arrangements is undertaken by the Local Authority. For the school's year commencing September 2017, the Governing Body has set its admissions number at 30.

ADMISSIONS TO THE SCHOOL will be made by the Governing Body. All preferences listed on the Local Authority Preference Form will be considered on an equal basis with the following set of ADMISSION CRITERIA forming a priority order where there are more applications for admission than the school has places available.

1. Children who are in the care of the Local Authority or who have previously been in the care of the Local Authority (Looked After Children - see note b)
2. Baptised Catholic Children who have a sibling at the school at the time of admission.
3. Non Catholic Children who have a sibling at the school at the time of admission.
4. Baptised Catholic children resident in the Parish of St. Werburgh's and St. Laurence's. Baptised Catholic children resident in that part of the Parish of St. Joseph's, Birkenhead bounded by and including Victoria Road (even nos only) to the south, Wilmer Road (even nos) and Elm Grove (odd nos) to the north, Borough Road (odd nos) to the west, Church Road (even nos only) and Whetstone Lane (even nos only) to the east. The latter without prejudice to those Baptised Catholic children within St. Joseph's Birkenhead who wish to be considered for a place at St. Joseph's Birkenhead.
5. Baptised Catholic children from other parishes.
6. Children currently attending Foundation One at St. Werburgh's Primary School.
7. Non Catholic children whose parents wish them to have a Catholic Education.

NOTES

a) All applicants will be considered at the same time and after the closing date for admissions (the date is set in January by the Local Authority).

b) A Looked After Child is a child who is (a) in the care of the Local Authority, or (b) being provided with accommodation by a Local Authority in the exercise of its Social Services functions (under section 22(1) of the Children Act 1989). A previously Looked After Child is one who immediately moved on from that status after becoming subject to an adoption, residence or special guardianship order.

c) All Catholic applicants will be required to produce proof of baptism. The date of baptism **must** precede the closing date for admissions.

d) It is the duty of governors to comply with regulations on class size limits at Key Stage One. The Governing Body may exceed the regulations for twins, siblings in the same year group and children from multiple births where one of the children is the 30th child admitted.

e) If in any category, there are more applications than places available, priority will be given on the basis of distance from home to School. Those living nearer to the school having priority. Distance will be measured from home to the school gate nearest to the child's home using the shortest road route, unless it is possible to use a footpath which we consider to be a safe walking route. In the event of distances being the same for 2 or more applicants where this distance would be last place/s to be allocated, a random lottery will be carried out in a public place. All the names will be entered into a hat and the required number of names will be drawn out.

f) Where a child lives with parents with shared responsibility, each for part of a week, the child's "permanent place of residence" will be determined as the address of the parent who normally has responsibility for the majority of school days in a week.

g) Sibling is defined as a brother or sister, half brother or sister, adopted brother or sister, step brother or sister, or the child of the parent/carer's partner where the child for whom the school place is sought is living in the same family unit at the same address as that sibling.

h) A waiting list for children who have not been offered a place will be kept and will be ranked according to the Admissions Criteria. Parents will be informed of their child's position on the waiting list which will operate for one term after the start of the autumn term.

i) For 'In Year' applications received outside the normal admissions round and if places are available then children qualifying under the published criteria will be admitted. If there are places available but more applicants than places then the published oversubscription criteria will be applied.

j) If an application for admission has been turned down by the Governing Body, parents can appeal to an Independent Appeals Panel. Parents should contact Wallasey Town Hall (Parental Appeals) for the necessary paperwork. Appeals should be sent back to the Appeals Panel at Wallasey Town Hall no later than 20 school days from receiving the letter of refusal. Parents must give reasons for appealing in writing and the decision of the Appeals Panel is binding on the Governors.

k) The Governing Body reserves the right to withdraw the offer of a school place where false or misleading evidence is received in relation to any of the Admissions criteria.

The Priory Parish CofE Primary School

Parents should be aware before applying that in this school RE, collective worship and our whole ethos are based on the teachings of the Church of England.

Applications for admission to the school should be made on the common application form between 1 September 2016 and 15 January 2017. Applications may also be made online. It is not normally possible to change the order of your preferences for schools after the closing date.

Letters informing parents of whether or not their child has been allocated a place will be sent out by the Local Authority in April 2017. Parents of children not admitted will be informed of the reason and offered an alternative place by the Local Authority.

The number of places available for admission to the Foundation 2 class in the year 2017/18 will be a maximum of 30. This arrangement follows consultation between the governing body, the Diocesan Board of Education, Local Authorities and other admissions authorities in the area. The governing body will not place any restrictions on admissions to the Foundation 2 class unless the number of children for whom admission is sought exceeds this number. By law, no infant class may contain more than thirty children (unless certain specified exceptions are met).

The Governing Body operates a system of equal preferences under which they consider all preferences equally and the Local Authority allocates places according to its policy. In the event that there are more applicants than places, the Governing Body will allocate places using the following criteria, which are listed in order of priority:

1. Looked after children and previously looked after children who were looked after, but ceased to be so because they were adopted (or became subject to a residence order or special guardianship order).
2. Children with special medical or social circumstances whose needs can only be met at this school. (see note a)
3. Children whose parents are faithful and regular worshippers in the Parish Church of Christ the King, Birkenhead or The Priory Chapel. (see note b)
4. Children who have a sibling in school who will be attending school the following academic year. (see note c)
5. Children whose parents are faithful and regular worshippers in a neighbouring Anglican Church for whom this is the closest Church of England School, measuring the distance from home to the school gate nearest to the child's home using the shortest road route unless it is possible to use a footpath which we consider to be a safe walking route. (see note b)
6. Children whose parents are faithful and regular worshippers of another Christian denomination, as recognised by Churches Together in Britain and Ireland and for whom this is the closest Church of England school, measuring the distance from home to the school gate nearest to the child's home using the shortest road route unless it is possible to use a footpath which we consider to be a safe walking route. (see note b)
7. Children whose parents are faithful and regular worshippers in other religious faiths. (see note b).
8. Children who live nearest to the school, measuring the distance from home to the school gate nearest to the child's home using the shortest road route unless it is possible to use a footpath which we consider to be safe walking route.

   If there are not enough places to admit all applicants meeting any one criterion, the governors will apply the subsequent criteria, in order of priority, to all these applicants.

NOTES

a) Professional supporting evidence from eg. a doctor, psychologist, social worker, is essential if admission is to be made under the criterion for special medical or social circumstances and such evidence must set out the particular reasons why the school is the most suitable school and the difficulties which would be caused if the child had to attend another school.

b) By “faithful and regular” we mean attendance at a minimum of one service per month for at least six months prior to the closing date for applications. A letter from your incumbent or minister or other officer will be required as proof of attendance.

c) A parent is any person who has parental responsibility or care of the child. Where admission arrangements refer to a “parent’s attendance at church”, it is sufficient for just one parent to attend.

d) Siblings include step, half, foster, adopted brothers and sisters living at the same address and full brother and sister living apart.

e) All children with birthdays between 1 September 2012 and 31 August 2013 are admitted in September. For children with a birthday after Christmas or after Easter parents may defer entry until later in the year and the headteacher should be consulted if this option is being considered.

Children with statements

Section 324 of the Education Act 1996 requires the governing bodies off all maintained schools to admit a child with a Statement of Special Educational Needs or Education Health and Care Plan that names their school.

Admissions Information

In September 2015, the school admitted 30 children.

Late applications for admission

Where there are extenuating circumstances for an application being received after the last date for applications and it is before the governors have established their list of pupils to be admitted, then it will be considered alongside all the others.

Otherwise, applications which are received after the last date will be considered after all the others.

Address of pupil

The address used on the school’s admission form must be the current one at the time of application. If the address changes subsequently, the parents should notify the school. Where the parents live at different addresses, the current-at-the-time-of-application, normal address of the child will be the one used. This will normally be the one where the child wakes up for the majority of Monday to Friday mornings. Parents may be asked to show evidence of the claim that is being made for the address, eg. utility bills of various sorts showing the child’s address as the one claimed. Where there is dispute about the correct address to use, the governors reserve the right to make enquiries of any relevant third parties, eg. the child’s GP. For children of UK service personnel and other Crown Servants returning to the area proof of the posting is all that is required.

In-year admissions

The Local Authority coordinates in year admissions and parents should refer to its coordinated scheme for details.

Appeals

Where governors are unable to offer a place because the school is oversubscribed, parents have the right to appeal to an independent admission appeal panel, set up under the School Standards and Framework Act 1998, as amended by the Education Act, 2002. Parents should notify the clerk to the governors within 28 days of receiving the letter refusing a place. Parents will have the opportunity to submit their case to the panel in writing and also to attend in order to present their case. You will normally receive 14 days notice of the place and time of the hearing.

If your child was refused a place in Foundation 2 or Key Stage 1 because of government limits on class sizes, the grounds on which your appeal could be successful are limited. You would have to show that the decision was one that in the circumstances no reasonable governing body would have made, or that your child would have been offered a place if the governors' admission arrangements had been properly implemented.

Please note that this right of appeal against the governors' decision does not prevent you from making an appeal in respect of any other school.

A waiting list of children who have not been offered a place will be kept and will be ranked according to the admission criteria. Parents will be informed of their child's position on the waiting list which will not be operated for longer than the end of the autumn term.

Fraudulent applications

Where the governing body discovers that a child has been awarded a place as the result of an intentionally misleading application from a parent (for example a false claim to residence or of involvement in a place of worship) which effectively denies a place to a child with a stronger claim, then the governing body is required to withdraw the offer of a place. The application will be considered afresh and a right of appeal offered if a place is refused.

Deferred admission

If your child id due to start school during the next academic year, it is important that you apply for a place for September. If your child's fifth birthday is between the months of September and December, then, if you wish it, admission may be deferred until January; if it is between January and April, then admission may be deferred until the start of the summer term though it is likely to be in your child's interest to start no later than January.

Twins

Where there are children of multiple births wishing to be admitted and the sibling is the 30th child, the governors may admit over the infant class requirement if it is possible to do so.

Admissions to the Language Unit

Children from schools within Wirral may be admitted to the unit subject to the availability of places (10 in total). Such admissions can occur at any time during the school year. Where an inquiry regarding a place is received from either a parent or the child's current school, the child and his/her parent will be invited to view the unit.

The responsibility for admissions to the Language Unit rests with the Local Authority.

SCHOOLS IN WALLASEY

*Schools with nursery class

Christ Church CofE Aided Primary School (Moreton)

Parents should be aware before applying that in this school RE, collective worship and our whole ethos are based on the teachings of the Church of England.

Applications are to be made on-line by using the common application form. It is not normally possible to change the order of your preferences for schools after the closing date. If you do not have access to the internet a paper common application form can be collected from any Primary School as it is a universal common application form. The closing date for common application forms are to be in by the 15 January 2017.

Letters or emails informing parents of whether or not their child has been allocated a place will be sent out by the Local Authority. For dates see Local Authority Booklet. Parents of children not admitted will be informed of the reason and offered an alternative place by the Authority.

The number of places available for admission to the Reception class in the year 2017-18 will be a maximum of 56. This arrangement follows consultation between the governing body, the Diocesan Board of Education, Local Authorities and other admissions authorities in the area. The governing body will not place any restrictions on admissions to the reception class unless the number of children for whom admission is sought exceeds this number. By law, no infant class may contain more than thirty children.

Children with statements
Section 324 of the Education Act 1996 requires the governing bodies of all maintained schools to admit a child with a Statement of Special Educational Needs or Education Health and Care Plan that names that school.

The Governing Body operates a system of equal preferences under which they consider all preferences equally and the Local Authority allocates places according to its policy. In the event that there are more applicants than places, the governing body will allocate places using the following criteria, which are listed in order of priority:

1. Looked after children and previously looked after children.
2. Children with special medical or social circumstances affecting the child where these needs can only be met at this school.
3. Children whose parents/guardians are faithful and regular worshippers in the Parish Church of Christ Church, Moreton.
4. Children whose parents/guardians are faithful and regular worshippers in a neighbouring Anglican Church for whom this is the closest Church of England school.
5. Children whose parents/guardians are faithful and regular worshippers of another Christian denomination, as recognised by Churches Together in Britain and Ireland and for whom this is the closest Church of England school.
6. Children who have a sibling in school who will still be attending school the following year.
7. Children resident in the parish of Christ Church, Moreton. A map showing the parish is available from the School Office.
8. Other children.

NOTES

a) Professional supporting evidence from e.g. a doctor, psychologist, social worker, is essential if admission is to be made under the criterion for special medical or social circumstances, and such evidence must set out the particular reasons why the school is question is the most suitable school and the difficulties which would be caused if the child had to attend another school.

b) By “faithful and regular” we mean attendance at a minimum of two services per month for at least six months prior to the closing date for applications. A letter from your incumbent or minister or other church officer will be required as proof of attendance.

c) A map showing the boundaries is available from the Parish Centre.

d) Siblings include step, half, foster, adopted brothers and sisters living at the same address and full brother and sister living apart.

e) A parent is any person who has parental responsibility or care of the child. Where admission arrangements refer to “parent’s attendance at church” it is sufficient for just one parent to attend.

f) Where the above criteria are not adequate to distinguish between requests for admission which cannot all be accepted without exceeding the admission limit, priority will be decided on the basis of the distance from the school, measured by the shortest walking route from the front door of the child’s home address (including flats) to the main entrance of the school, using the Local Authority’s computerised measuring system, with those living closer to the school receiving the higher priority.

g) All children with birthdays between 1 September 2012 and 31 August 2013 are admitted in September 2017. For children with a birthday after Christmas or after Easter parents may defer entry until later in the year and the Headteacher should be consulted if this option is being considered.

h) 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 functions (under section 22(1) of the Children Act 1989). A previously looked after child is one who immediately moved on from that status after becoming subject to an adoption, residence or special guardianship order.

Late applications for admission
Where there are extenuating circumstances for an application being received after the last date for applications, and it is before the governors have established their list of pupils to be admitted, then it will be considered alongside all the others.

Otherwise, applications which are received after the last date will be considered after all the others, and placed on the waiting list in order according to the criteria.

Waiting list
Where we have more applications than places, the admissions criteria will be used. Children who are not admitted will have their name placed on a waiting list. The names on this waiting list will be in the order resulting from the application of the admissions criteria. Since the date of application cannot be a criterion for the order of names on the waiting list, late applicants for the school will be slotted into the order according to the extent to which they meet the criteria. Thus it is possible that a child who moves into the area later to have a higher priority than one who has been on the waiting list for some time. If a place becomes available within the admission number, the child whose name is at the top of the list will be offered a place. This is not dependent on whether an appeal has been submitted.

This waiting list will operate until the end of December 2017.

Address of pupil
The address used on the school’s admission form must be the current one at the time of application. If the address changes subsequently, the parents should notify the school. Where the parents live at different addresses, the current-at-the-time-of-application, normal address of the child will be the one used. This will normally be the one where the child wakes up for the majority of Monday to Friday mornings. Parents may be asked to show evidence of

the claim that is being made for the address, e.g. identity cards of various sorts showing the child's address as the one claimed. Where there is dispute about the correct address to use, the governors reserve the right to make enquiries of any relevant third parties, e.g. the child's GP. For children of UK Service personnel and other Crown Servants returning to the area proof of the posting is all that is required.

Non-routine admissions
It sometimes happens that a child needs to change school other than at the "normal" time; such admissions are known as non-routine admissions. Parents wishing their child to attend this school should arrange to visit the school. Following this they will be asked to complete a Local Authority admissions form which will then be dealt with in line with the Local Authority co-ordinated scheme with the Governors applying the criteria to any application the Local Authority ask them to consider.

Appeals
Where the governors are unable to offer a place because the school is over subscribed, parents have the right to appeal to an independent admission appeal panel, set up under the School Standards and Framework Act, 1998, as amended by the Education Act, 2002. **Parents should notify the clerk to the governors at the school within 28 days of receiving the letter refusing a place**. Parents will have the opportunity to submit their case to the panel in writing and also to attend in order to present their case. You will normally receive 14 days' notice of the place and time of the hearing. For further information see timetable below.

If your child was refused a place in Foundation Stage 2 or Key Stage 1 because of Government limits on Infant class sizes, the grounds on which your appeal could be successful are limited. You would have to show that the decision was one which in the circumstances no reasonable governing body would have made, or that your child would have been offered a place if the governors' admissions arrangements had been properly implemented.

Please note that this right of appeal against the governors' decision does not prevent you from making an appeal in respect of any other school.

Fraudulent applications
Where the governing body discovers that a child has been awarded a place as the result of an intentionally misleading application from a parent (for example a false claim to residence in the catchment area or of involvement in a place of worship) which effectively denies a place to a child with a stronger claim, then the governing body is required to withdraw the offer of the place. The application will be considered afresh and a right of appeal offered if a place is refused.

Deferred admission
If your child is due to start school during the next academic year, it is important that you apply for a place for September. If your child's fifth birthday is between the months of September and December, then, if you wish it, admission may be deferred until January; if it is between January and April, then admission may be deferred until the start of the summer term though it is likely to be in your child's interest to start no later than January.

Summer Born Children
Parents of a summer born child (1st April – 31st August) may choose not to send their child to school until the September following their fifth birthday and may request that they are admitted out of their normal age group – i.e. into F2 rather than Year 1.

Twins
Where there are twins wanting admission and there is only a single place left within the admission number, then the governing body will exercise as much flexibility as possible within the requirements of infant class sizes. If only one place can be offered then parents will be advised that the place will be offered to the older twin and informed of their legal right of appeal for their other twin

Holy Spirit Catholic and Church of England Primary School*

Holy Spirit Catholic and Church of England Primary School is a joint Catholic and Church of England Primary School under the trusteeship of the Dioceses of Shrewsbury and Chester. It is maintained by Wirral Authority. As a Voluntary Aided School, the Governing Body is the Admissions Authority and is responsible for taking decisions on applications for admissions. The co-ordination of admissions arrangements is undertaken by the Local Authority. For the school's year commencing September 2017, the Governing Body has set its admissions number at 30. Of these places 18 will be set aside for Catholic children and 12 for Church of England children

Applications for admission to the school should be made on the common application form and by the date set therein. Applications may also be made on-line by using the common application form. It is not normally possible to change the order of your preferences for schools after the closing date.

ADMISSIONS TO THE SCHOOL will be made by the Governing Body. All preferences listed on the Local Authority Preference Form will be considered on an equal basis with the following set of ADMISSIONS CRITERIA forming a priority order where there are more applications for admissions than the school has places available.

1. **Children who are currently, or have been previously, in the care of the Local Authority (Looked after children)**
2. **Places designated for Catholic Children**
   The Governors have designated 18 places, to be offered to baptised catholic children. If there are more than 18 qualified applicants, places will be allocated according to the following criteria. These are stated in order of priority.
   (a) Baptised Catholic children resident in the parishes of Our Lady of Lourdes and English Martyrs.
   (b) Baptised Catholic children who have a sibling in the school at the time of admission.
   (c) Baptised Catholic children from other parishes.
3. **Places designated for Church of England Children**
   The Governors have designated 12 places, to be offered to children who are members of the Anglican Church. If there are more than 12 qualified applicants, places will be allocated according to the following criteria. These are stated in order of priority.
   (a) Children whose parents are faithful and regular worshippers in an Anglican Church who have a sibling in the school at the time of admission.
   (b) Children whose parents are faithful and regular worshippers at Anglican churches in Wallasey
   (c) Children whose parents are faithful and regular worshippers in other Anglican Churches
   (d) Other baptised Anglican children

   By "faithful and regular" we mean attendance at a minimum of two services per month for at least six months prior to the closing date for applications. A letter from your incumbent or minister or other church officer will be required as proof of attendance.
4. **Other children who have a sibling in the school at the time of admission**
5. **Other children**

Where places designated for Catholic children remain unfilled priority will be given to those children who fulfil the criteria set out for Anglican children. Similarly where places for Anglican children remain unfilled priority will be given to those who fulfil the criteria set out for Catholic children.

NOTES

a) All applicants will be considered at the same time and after the closing date for admissions.

b) All Catholic applicants will be required to produce baptismal certificates.

c) It is the duty of governors to comply with class size limits at Key Stage One

d) If in any category there are more applications than places available, priority will be given on the basis of distance from home to school, those living nearer to the school having priority. This will be measured as per the procedures adopted by the Local Authority.

e) Sibling is defined as a brother or sister, half brother or sister, adopted brother or sister, step brother or sister, or the child of the parent/carer's partner where the child for whom the school place is sought is living in the same family unit at the same address as that sibling.

f) For 'In Year' applications received outside the normal admissions round and if places are available then children qualifying under the published criteria will be admitted. If there are places available but more applicants than places then the published oversubscription criteria will be applied. 'In Year' and late applications will be treated as per the admissions arrangements published by the Local Authority.

g) If an application for admission has been turned down by the Governing Body, parents can appeal to an Independent Appeals Panel. This appeal must be sent in writing to the Clerk to the Governors at the school within 20 days of refusal. Parents must give reasons for appealing in writing and the decision of the Appeals Panel is binding on the Governors

h) A waiting list for children who have not been offered a place will be kept and will be ranked according to the Admission Criteria. Parents will be informed of their child's position on the waiting list which will not be operated for longer than the end of the Autumn Term.

i) The Governing Body reserve the right to withdraw the offer of a school place where false evidence is received in relation to baptism, sibling connections or place of residence.

Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School*

Sacred Heart School is a Catholic Primary School under the trusteeship of the Diocese of Shrewsbury. It is maintained by the Wirral Authority. As a Voluntary Aided School, the Governing Body is the Admissions Authority and is responsible for taking decisions on applications for admissions. The co-ordination of admissions arrangements is undertaken by the Wirral Authority. For the school's year commencing **September 2017, the Governing Body has set its admissions number at 60**.

ADMISSIONS TO THE SCHOOL will be made by the Governing Body. All preferences listed on the Local Authority Preference Form will be considered on an equal basis with the following set of ADMISSIONS CRITERIA forming a priority order where there are more applications for admissions than the school has places available.

1. Children who are Looked After and previously Looked After Children.
2. Baptised Catholic children resident in the parish of Sacred Heart, Moreton.
3. Children who have a sibling in the school at the time of admission.
4. Baptised Catholic children from other parishes.
5. Children who currently attend the Foundation 1 classes.
6. Other children whose parents wish them to have a Catholic education.

NOTES

a) All applicants will be considered at the same time and after the closing date for admissions which is **15 January (date published by the Local Authority). Late applications will be dealt with in accordance with the admissions criteria and the coordinated scheme**.

b) A Looked After Child is a child who is a) in the care of the Local Authority, or b) being provided with accommodation by a Local Authority in the exercise of their Social Services functions (under section 22(1) of the Children Act 1989). A previously Looked After Child is one who immediately moved on from that status after becoming subject to an adoption, residence or special guardianship order.

c) All applicants will be required to produce the short certificate of birth.

d) All Catholic applicants will be required to produce baptismal certificates.

e) It is the duty of the Governing Body to comply with the Key Stage 1 class size limit.

f) If category (2) is oversubscribed, children who satisfy (2) and (3) will have priority over children who satisfy only (2). Subsequently if in this or any other category there are more applications than places available, priority will be given on the basis of distance from home to school, those living nearer to the school having priority. Distance will be measured, using the Local Authority's computerised measuring system, from the nearest school gate to the home address using the shortest road route, unless it is possible to use a footpath which the LA consider to be a safe walking route. In the event of distances being the same for 2 or more applicants where this distance would be last place/s to be allocated, a random lottery will be carried out in a public place. All the names will be entered into a hat and the required number of names will be drawn out.

g) Where a child lives with parents with shared responsibility, each for part of a week, the child's "permanent place of residence" will be determined as the address of the parent who normally has responsibility for the majority of school days in a week.

h) Sibling is defined as a brother or sister, half brother or sister, adopted brother or sister, step brother or sister, or the child of the parent/carer's partner where the child for whom the school place is sought is living in the same family unit at the same address as that sibling. In relation to children of multiple births, exceptionally it may be necessary to offer places over the Published Admission Number. This is to ensure that, as far as possible, siblings (ie twins, triplets or children from other multiple births) can attend the same school. This exception will only apply if the admission is compatible with the duty to comply with infant class size legislation. Where necessary, allocation will be undertaken by a random lottery carried out in a public place.

i) A waiting list for children who have not been offered a place will be kept and will be ranked according to the Admission Criteria. Parents will be informed of their child's position on the waiting list which will not be operated for longer than the end of the Autumn Term.

j) For "In Year" applications received outside the normal admissions round and if places are available then children qualifying under the published criteria will be admitted. If there are places available, but more applicants than places, then the published oversubscription criteria will be applied. "In Year" applications will be treated as per the admissions arrangements published by the Local Authority.

k) If an application for admission has been turned down by the Governing Body, parents can appeal to an Independent Appeals Panel. This appeal must be sent in writing to the Clerk to the Independent Appeals Panel within **20** working days of refusal. Parents must give reasons for appealing in writing and the decision of the Appeals Panel is binding on the Governors.

l) The Governing Body reserve the right to withdraw the offer of a school place where false evidence is received in relation to baptism, sibling connections or place of residence.

m) It is anticipated by the Governing Body that those specifically choosing Catholic Education will wish to lend their support to maintaining both the full spiritual life of the school and those aims set out in its Mission Statement.

ADMISSION POLICY - FOUNDATION 1 CLASS

ADMISSION TO THE FOUNDATION 1 CLASS at Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School will be on part time basis and made by the Governing Body in accordance with the parental applications subject to the following set of ADMISSION CRITERIA forming a priority order where there are more applications for admission than the class has places available.

1. Children who are Looked After and previously Looked After Children.
2. Baptised Catholic children resident in the parish of Sacred Heart, Moreton who have reached their third birthday at the start of the academic year.
3. Children who have a sibling at the school at the time of admission.
4. Baptised Catholic children from other parishes.
5. Other children whose parents wish them to have a Catholic education.
6. In the event of places still being available after the September start date has passed, there may be additional intakes. In which case, places will be allocated in accordance with the above criteria, in chronological order of birth date, to children who have reached their third birthday prior to the 31 December.

NOTES

a) **A Looked After Child is a child who is a) in the care of the Local Authority, or b) being provided with accommodation by a Local Authority in the exercise of their Social Services functions (under section 22(1) of the Children Act 1989). A previously Looked After Child is one who immediately moved on from that status after becoming subject to an adoption, residence or special guardianship order.**

b) **All applicants will be considered at the same time and after the closing date for admissions which is 31 December. Late applications will be dealt with in accordance with the admissions criteria.**

c) **Admission to Foundation 1 <u>does not</u> secure admission to the mainstream primary school and parents will need to make separate written application undertaken by the Wirral Authority.**

d) The decision with regard to the allocation of a morning or an afternoon place rests with the Headteacher.

e) All applicants will be required to produce the short certificate of birth.

f) All Catholic applicants will be asked to produce baptismal certificates.

g) If category (2) is oversubscribed, children who satisfy (2) and (3) will have priority over children who satisfy only (2). Subsequently if in this or any other category there are more applications than places available, priority will be given on the basis of distance from home to school, those living nearer to the school having priority. Distance will be measured, using the Local Authority's computerised measuring system, from the nearest school gate to the home address using the shortest road route, unless it is possible to use a footpath which the LA consider to be a safe walking route. In the event of distances being the same for 2 or more applicants where this distance would be last place/s to be allocated, a random lottery will be carried out in a public place. All the names will be entered into a hat and the required number of names will be drawn out.

h) Where a child lives with parents with shared responsibility, each for part of a week, the child's "permanent place of residence" will be determined as the address of the parent who normally has responsibility for the majority of school days in a week.

i) Sibling is defined as a brother or sister, half brother or sister, adopted brother or sister, step brother or sister, or the child of the parent/carer's partner where the child for whom the school place is sought is living in the same family unit at the same address as that sibling. In relation to children of multiple births, exceptionally it may be necessary to offer places over the Published Admission Number. This is to ensure that, as far as possible, siblings (ie twins, triplets or children from other multiple births) can attend the same school. This exception will only apply if the admission is compatible with the duty to comply with infant class size legislation. Where necessary, allocation will be undertaken by a random lottery carried out in a public place.

j) The Governing Body reserves the right to withdraw the offer of a place where false evidence is received in relation to baptism, sibling connections or place of residence.

k) It is anticipated by the Governing Body that those specifically choosing Catholic education will wish to lend their support to maintaining both the full spiritual life of the school and those aims set out in its Mission Statement.

St Alban's Catholic Primary School

St Albans is a Catholic Primary School under the trusteeship of the Diocese of Shrewsbury. It is maintained by Wirral Education Authority. As a Voluntary Aided School, the Governing Body is the Admissions Authority and is responsible for taking decisions on applications for admissions.

The Catholic Faith and the Teachings of the Roman Catholic Church have an essential role in school life and influence every aspect of the curriculum. We ask all parents applying for a place here to respect this ethos and its importance to the school community. This does not affect the right of parents who are not of the faith of this school to apply for and be considered for a place here.

The co-ordination of admissions arrangements is undertaken by the Local Authority. For the school's year commencing September 2017, the Governing Body has set its admissions number at **56**.

ADMISSIONS TO THE SCHOOL will be made by the Governing Body.

All preferences listed on the Local Authority Preference Form will be considered on an equal basis with the following set of ADMISSIONS CRITERIA forming a priority order where there are more applications for admissions than the school has places available:

1. Baptised Catholic Looked After children or previously Looked After children who are or have been in the care of the Local Authority.
2. Baptised Catholic children who have a sibling in the school at the time of admission.
3. Baptised Catholic children from the parishes of St Alban's and English Martyrs.
4. Baptised Catholic children from other parishes.
5. Non Catholic Looked After children or previously Looked After children who are or have been in the care of the Local Authority.
6. Non Catholic children who have a sibling in the school at the time of admission.
7. Other children.

NOTES

a) All applicants will be considered at the same time and after the closing date for admissions which is provided by Wirral LA each year.

b) A Looked After child is a child who is (a)in the care of the Local Authority, or (b) being provided with accommodation by a local Authority in the exercise of their Social Services functions (under section 22(1) of the Children Act 1989). A previously Looked After child is one who immediately moved on from that status after becoming subject to an adoption, residence or special guardianship order.

c) All applicants will be required to produce the short certificate of birth.

d) All Catholic applicants will be required to produce baptismal certificates.

e) It is the duty of Governors to comply with class size limits at Key Stage One.

f) If in any category there are more applications than places available, priority will be given on the basis of distance from home to school. Distance will be measured in walking distance from the front door of the child's home address (including the community entrance to flats) to the main entrance of the school using the Local Authority's computerised measuring system with those living nearer to the school having priority. In the event of distances being the same for 2 or more applicants where this distance would be last place/s to be allocated, a random lottery will be carried out in a public place. All the names will be entered into a hat and the required number of names will be drawn out.

g) Where a child lives with parents with shared responsibility, each for part of a week, the child's "permanent place of residence" will be determined as the address of the parent who normally has responsibility for the majority of school days in a week.

h) Sibling is defined as a brother or sister, half brother or sister, adopted brother or sister, step brother or sister, or the child of the parent/carer's partner where the child for whom the school place is sought is living in the same family unit at the same address as that sibling.

i) A waiting list for children who have not been offered a place will be kept and will be ranked according to the Admission Criteria. Parents will be informed of their child's position on the waiting list which will not be operated for longer than the end of the Autumn Term.

j) For 'In Year' applications received outside the normal admissions round and if places are available then children qualifying under the published criteria will be admitted. If there are places available but more applicants than places then the published oversubscription criteria will be applied. 'In Year' and late applications will be treated as per the co-ordinated arrangements published by the Local Authority.

k) If an application for admission has been turned down by the Governing Body, parents can appeal to an Independent Appeals Panel. The appeal must be sent in writing to the Clerk to the Governors at the school within 20 days of refusal. Parents must give reasons for appealing in writing and the decision of the Appeals Panel is binding on the Governors.

l) The Governing Body reserve the right to withdraw the offer of a school place where false evidence is received in relation to baptism, sibling connections or place of residence.

m) It is anticipated by the Governing Body that those specifically choosing Catholic education will wish to lend their support to maintaining both the full spiritual life of the school and the aims set out in it's Mission statement

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School*

St Joseph's is a Catholic Primary School under the trusteeship of the Diocese of Shrewsbury. It is maintained by Wirral Local Authority. As a Voluntary Aided School, the Governing Body is the Admissions Authority and is responsible for taking decisions on applications for admissions.

The Catholic Faith and the Teachings of the Catholic Church have an essential role in school life and influence every aspect of the Curriculum. We ask all parents applying for a place here to respect this ethos and its importance to the school community. This does not affect the right of parents who are not of the Faith of this school to apply for and be considered for a place here.

The co-ordination of admissions arrangements is undertaken by the Local Authority. For the school's year commencing September 2017, the Governing Body has set its admissions number at 45.

ADMISSIONS TO THE SCHOOL will be made by the Governing Body. All preferences listed on the Local Authority Preference Form will be considered on an equal basis with the following set of ADMISSIONS CRITERIA forming a priority order where there are more applications for admissions than the school has places available.

1. Catholic and non-Catholic children in the care of the Local Authority who are Looked After or previously Looked After.
2. Baptised Catholic children from the parish of St Joseph's, Wallasey.
3. Baptised Catholic children who have siblings on roll at the school at the time of admission.
4. Baptised Catholic children from other parishes.
5. Non-Catholic children who have a sibling in the school at the time of admission.
6. All other children whose parents express a preference for St Joseph's Catholic School, Wallasey.

NOTES

a) All applicants will be considered at the same time and after the closing date for admissions which is January 15th.

b) 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 functions (under section 22(1) of the Children Act 1989). A previously Looked After Child is one who immediately moved on from that status after becoming subject to an adoption, residence or special guardianship order.

c) For a child to be considered as a Roman Catholic evidence of a Roman Catholic Baptism will be required.

d) It is the duty of governors to comply with regulations on class size limits at Key Stage One.

e) If in any category there are more applications than places available, priority will be given on the basis of distance from home to school. Distance will be measured by the shortest walking route from the front door of the child's home address (including the community entrance to flats) to the main entrance of the school using the Local Authority's computerised measuring system with those living nearer to the school having priority. In the event of distances being the same for 2 or more applicants where this distance would be last place/s to be allocated, a random lottery will be carried out in a public place. All the names will be entered into a hat and the required number of names will be drawn out.

f) Where a child lives with parents with shared responsibility, each for part of a week, the child's "permanent place of residence" will be determined as the address of the parent who normally has responsibility for the majority of school days in a week.

g) Sibling is defined as a brother or sister, half brother or sister, adopted brother or sister, step brother or sister, or the child of the parent/carer's partner where the child for whom the school place is sought is living in the same family unit at the same address as that sibling.

h) A waiting list for children who have not been offered a place will be kept and will be ranked according to the Admission Criteria. Parents will be informed of their child's position on the waiting list which will not be operated for longer than the end of the Autumn Term.

i) For 'In Year' applications received outside the normal admissions round and if places are available then children qualifying under the published criteria will be admitted. If there are places available but more applicants than places then the published oversubscription criteria will be applied.

j) If an application for admission has been turned down by the Governing Body, parents can appeal to an Independent Appeals Panel. Parents must be allowed at least twenty school days from the date of notification that their application was unsuccessful to submit that appeal. Parents must give reasons for appealing in writing and the decision of the Appeals Panel is binding on the Governors.

k) Parents can request that the date their child, if below compulsory school age, is admitted to school is deferred to later in the school year or until the term when they reach compulsory school age.

l) The Governing Body reserve the right to withdraw the offer of a school place where false evidence is received in relation to baptism, sibling connections or place of residence.

St Peter and Paul Catholic Primary School

Ss. Peter and Paul is a Catholic Primary School under the trusteeship of the Diocese of Shrewsbury. It is maintained by Wirral Education Authority. As a voluntary aided school, the Governing Body is the admissions authority and is responsible for taking decisions on applications for admissions.

The co-ordination of admissions arrangements is undertaken by the Local Authority. For the school's year commencing September 2017, the Governing Body has set its admissions number at 45.

ADMISSIONS TO THE SCHOOL will be made by the Governing Body. All preferences listed on the Local Authority Preference Form will be considered on an equal basis with the following set of ADMISSIONS CRITERIA forming a priority order where there are more applications for admissions than the school has places available.

1. Baptised Catholic children who have previously been or are currently in the care of the Local Authority (Looked After Children).
2. Baptised Catholic children who have a sibling in the school at the time of admission.
3. Baptised Catholic children resident in the parish of Holy Apostles and Martyrs.
4. Baptised Catholic children from other parishes.
5. Non-Catholic children who have previously been or are currently in the care of the Local Authority (Looked After Children).
6. Non-Catholic children who have a sibling in the school at the time of admission.
7. Non-Catholic children of teaching and/or support staff who are employed on a teaching and/or support staff contract at the school at the time of admission.
8. Non-Catholic children who have attended Little Acorns pre-school for at least one term in the term preceding the time of admission.
9. Other non-Catholic children.

NOTES

a) All applicants will be considered at the same time and after the closing date for admissions which is 15 January 2017.

b) All Catholic applicants will be required to produce baptismal certificates.

c) It is the duty of the Governors to comply with class sizes in Key Stage One.

d) If category (3) is oversubscribed, children who satisfy (2) and (3) will have priority over children who satisfy only (3). Subsequently if in this or any other category there are more applicants than places available, priority will be given on the basis of distance from home to school. Distance will be measured in walking distance from the front door of the child's home address (including the community entrance to flats) to the main entrance of the school using the Local Authority's computerised measuring system with those living nearer to the school having priority. In the event of distances being the same for 2 or more applicants where this distance would be last place/s to be allocated, a random lottery will be carried out in a public place. All names will be entered into a hat and the required number of names will be drawn out.

e) Where a child lives with parents with shared responsibility, each for part of a week, the child's "permanent place of residence" will be determined as the address of the parent who normally has responsibility for the majority of school days in a week.

f) Sibling is defined as a brother or sister, half brother or sister, adopted brother or sister, step brother or sister, or the child of the parent/carer's partner where the child for whom the school place is sought is living in the same family unit at the same address as that sibling.

g) A waiting list for children who have not been offered a place will be kept and will be ranked according to the Admission Criteria. Parents will be informed of their child's position on the waiting list which will not be operated for longer than the end of the autumn term.

h) For 'In Year' applications received outside the normal admissions round and if places are available then children qualifying under the published criteria will be admitted. If there are places available but more applicants than places then the published over subscription criteria will be applied. 'In Year' and late applications will be treated as per the admission arrangements published by the Local Authority.

i) If an application for admission has been turned down by the Governing Body, parents can appeal to the Independent Appeals Panel. Parents must be allowed twenty school days from the date of notification that their application was unsuccessful to submit that appeal. Parents must give reasons for appealing in writing and the decision of the Appeals Panel is binding on the Governors.

j) The Governing Body reserve the right to withdraw the offer of a school place where false evidence is received in relation to baptism, sibling connections or place of residence.

k) A Looked After Child is a child who is (a) in the care of the Local Authority, or (b) being provided with accommodation by a Local Authority in the exercise of its Social Services functions (under section 22(1) of the Children Act 1989). A previously Looked After Child is one who immediately moved on from that status after becoming subject to an adoption, residence or special guardianship order.

ADMISSION ARRANGEMENTS

Children enter school during the year in which they reach their 5 birthday. **Children who will be five in the period between 1 September and 31 August are admitted at the beginning of the autumn term** on a full time basis, at the discretion of the Headteacher. Admission may be phased in over the first two weeks of the term. Special arrangements may be made for individual pupils to be admitted at other times.

If it is determined by the Headteacher in consultation with the parents that it is not appropriate for their child to start school at the specified time, then the date of admission may be delayed.

Parents of new children are always welcome to visit the school by arrangement with the Headteacher. During the term before the children are admitted in September, an induction process is operated, culminating in a morning visit for the children to meet their new teacher in the classroom setting.

ADMISSIONS TO KEY STAGE 1 & 2 CLASSES

The Local Authority will also co-ordinate in year applications. This means any application received for the admission of a child to a relevant age group that is submitted on or after the first day of the school year of admission, or an application for the admission of a child to another age group. (Please note that class sizes in Key Stage 1 will not exceed 30 pupils).

The Governing body reserve the right to admit pupils to the school according to the admissions criteria

SCHOOLS IN SOUTH WIRRAL

*Schools with nursery class

Christ the King Catholic Primary School

Christ the King School is a Catholic Primary School under the trusteeship of the Diocese of Shrewsbury. It is maintained by Wirral Local Authority. As a Voluntary Aided School, the Governing Body is the Admissions Authority and is responsible for taking decisions on applications for admissions.

The Catholic Faith and the Teachings of the Catholic Church have an essential role in school life and influence every aspect of the Curriculum. We ask all parents applying for a place here to respect this ethos and its importance to the school community. This does not affect the right of parents who are not of the Faith of this school to apply for and be considered for a place here.

The co-ordination of admissions arrangements is undertaken by the Local Authority. For the school's year commencing September 2017, the Governing Body has set its admissions number at 60.

ADMISSIONS TO THE SCHOOL will be made by the Governing Body. All preferences listed on the Local Authority Preference Form will be considered on an equal basis with the following set of ADMISSIONS CRITERIA forming a priority order where there are more applications for admissions than the school has places available.

1) Looked after children and previously Looked After Children.
2) Baptised Catholic children resident in the parish of Christ the King, Bromborough/ St. Luke's, Spital as defined by the LA Catchment Areas Street Index.
3) Children who have a sibling in the school at the time of admission.
4) Baptised Catholic children from other parishes.
5) Non Catholic children whose parents wish them to have a Catholic education.

NOTES

a) All applicants will be considered at the same time and after the closing date for admissions which is 15 January 2017.

b) A Looked After Child is a child who is (a) on the care of a Local Authority, or (b) being provided with accommodation by a Local Authority in the exercise of their Social Services functions (under section 22(1) of the Children Act 1989). A previously Looked After Child is one who immediately moved on from that status after becoming subject to an adoption, residence or special guardianship order.

c) For a child to be considered as a Catholic, evidence of a Catholic Baptism will be required.

d) It is the duty of governors to comply with regulations on class size limits at Key Stage One.

e) If category (2) is oversubscribed, children who satisfy (2) and (3) will have priority over children who satisfy only (2). Subsequently if in this or any other category there are more applications than places available, priority will be given on the basis of distance from home to school with those living nearer to the school having priority. Distance will be measured using the Local Authority's computerised measuring system, from the nearest school gate to the home address using the shortest road route, unless it is possible to use a footpath which the LA consider to be a safe walking route. In the event of distances being the same for 2 or more applicants where this distance would be last place/s to be allocated, a random lottery will be carried out in a public place. All the names will be entered into a hat and the required number of names will be drawn out.

f) Where a child lives with parents with shared responsibility, each for part of a week, the Child's "permanent place of residence" will be determined as the address of the parent who normally has responsibility for the majority of school days in a week.

g) Sibling is defined as a brother or sister, half brother or sister, adopted brother or sister, step brother or sister, or the child of the parent/carer's partner where the child for whom the school place is sought is living in the same family unit at the same address as that sibling.

h) A waiting list for children who have not been offered a place will be kept and will be ranked according to the Admission Criteria. Parents will be informed on request of their child's position on the waiting list which will not be operated for longer than the end of the Autumn Term.

i) For 'In Year' applications received outside the normal admissions round and if places are available then children qualifying under the published criteria will be admitted. If there are places available but more applicants than places then the published oversubscription criteria will be applied. 'In Year' and late applications will be treated as per the admissions arrangements published by the Local Authority.

j) If an application for admission has been turned down by the Governing Body, parents can appeal to an Independent Appeals Panel. Parents must be allowed at least twenty school days from the date of notification that their application was unsuccessful to submit that appeal. Parents must give reasons for appealing in writing and the decision of the Appeals Panel is binding on the Governors.

k) Parents can request that the date their child, if below compulsory school age, is admitted to school is deferred to later in the school year or until the term when they reach compulsory school age.

l) The Governing Body reserve the right to withdraw the offer of a school place where false evidence is received in relation to baptism, sibling connections or place of residence.

St Andrews CofE Aided Primary School

Parents should be aware before applying that in this school RE, collective worship and our whole ethos are based on the teachings of the Church of England.

Applications for admission to the school should be made on the common application form or online between September 2016 and January 2017 and also on the school's supplementary form by those applying under criteria 3, 4, 5 & 6.

Applications may also be made on-line by using the common application form. It is not normally possible to change the order of your preferences for schools after the closing date. Whether application is made on paper or electronically, the supplementary form must be completed by those applying under criteria 3, 4, 5 & 6 and can be obtained from the school office or downloaded from the school website on the "Policies" page. The supplementary form should be handed in to St Andrew's CE school office.

Letters informing parents of whether or not their child has been allocated a place will be sent out by the Local Authority by the end of April. Parents of children not admitted will be informed of the reason and offered an alternative place by the Authority.

The number of places available for admission to the Reception class in the year 2017 will be a maximum of 30. This arrangement follows consultation between the governing body, the Diocesan Board of Education, Local Authorities and other admissions authorities in the area. The governing body will not place any restrictions on admissions to the reception class unless the number of children for whom admission is sought exceeds this number. By law, no infant class may contain more than thirty children.

The governing body operates a system of equal preferences under which they consider all preferences equally and the Local Authority allocates places according to its policy. In the event that there are more applicants than places, the governing body will allocate places using the following criteria, which are listed in order of priority:

Criteria

1. Looked after children and previously looked after children who were looked after, but ceased to be so because they were adopted (or became subject to a residence order or special guardianship order). *See notes a) & b)*.
2. Children who have a sibling in school who will still be attending school the following year. *See notes a) and c)*.
3. Children whose parents are faithful and regular worshippers at St Andrew's and Townfield Churches, Bebington (including Messy Church). Newcomers to the parish must have a similar Anglican affiliation in their previous parish. *See notes a), d) and e)*
4. Children whose parents are faithful and regular worshippers in a neighbouring Anglican church for whom this is the closest Church of England school. *See notes a), d), and e)*
5. Children whose families are faithful and regular worshippers of another Christian denomination that are members of or are affiliated to Churches Together in Britain and Ireland and for whom this is the closest Church of England school. *See notes a), d) & e)*.
6. Children with special medical or social circumstances affecting the child where these needs can only be met at this school. *See notes a) and f)*
7. Other children, where priority will be decided on the basis of the distance from the school measured by the shortest walking route from the front door of the child's home address (including flats) to the main entrance of the school, using the Local Authority's computerised measuring system, with those living closer to the school receiving the higher priority.

NOTES

a) Where the above criteria are not adequate to distinguish between requests for admission which cannot all be accepted without exceeding the admission limit, priority will be decided on the basis of the distance from the school measured by the shortest walking route from the front door of the child's home address (including flats) to the main entrance of the school, using the Local Authority's computerised measuring system, with those living closer to the school receiving the higher priority.

b) A looked after child is a child who is i) in the care of the Local Authority, or ii) being provided with accommodation by a Local Authority in the exercise of their social services functions (under section 22(1) of the Children Act 1989). A previously looked after child is one who immediately moved on from that status after becoming subject to an adoption, residence or special guardianship order.

c) Sibling refers to brother or sister, half brother or sister, adopted brother or sister, step brother or sister, or the child of the parent/carer's partner, and in every case, the child should be living in the same family unit at the same address.

d) By "faithful and regular" we mean attendance at a minimum of one service per month for at least one year prior to the closing date for applications. Evidence for this must be provided on the school's supplementary form.

e) A parent is any person who has parental responsibility or care of the child. Where admission arrangements refer to "parent's attendance at church" it is sufficient for just one parent to attend.

f) Professional supporting evidence from e.g. a doctor, psychologist, social worker, is essential if admission is to be made under the criterion for special medical or social circumstances, and such evidence must set out the particular reasons why the school is question is the most suitable school and the difficulties which would be caused if the child had to attend another school.

g) All children with birthdays between 1 September and 31 August are admitted in September. For children with a birthday after Christmas or after Easter parents may defer entry until later in the year and the headteacher should be consulted if this option is being considered.

h) Attendance at St Andrew's Pre-school is not an admission criteria for entry to St Andrew's School.

Children with an Education, Health and Care Plan
Section 324 of the Education Act 1996 requires the governing bodies of all maintained schools to admit a child with an EHC plan (previously a Statement of Special Education Needs) that names their school.

Late applications for admission
Where there are extenuating circumstances for an application being received after the last date for applications, and it is before the governors have established their list of pupils to be admitted, then it will be considered alongside all the others. Otherwise, applications which are received after the last date will be considered after all the others, and placed on the waiting list in order according to the criteria.

Waiting list
Where we have more applications than places, the admissions criteria will be used. Children who are not admitted will have their name placed on a waiting list. The names on this waiting list will be in the order resulting from the application of the admissions criteria. Since the date of application cannot be a criterion for the order of names on the waiting list, late applicants for the school will be slotted into the order according to the extent to which they meet the criteria. Thus it is possible for a child who moves into the area later to have a higher priority than one who has been on the waiting list for some time. If a place becomes available within the admission number, the child whose name is at the top of the list will be offered a place. This is not dependent on whether an appeal has been submitted. This waiting list will operate until the end of the autumn term.

Address of pupil
The address used on the school's admission form must be the current one at the time of application. If the address changes subsequently, the parents should notify the school. Where the parents live at different addresses, the current-at-the-time-of-application, normal address of the child will be the one used. This will normally be the one where the child wakes up for the majority of Monday to Friday mornings. Parents may be asked to show evidence of the claim that is being made for the address, e.g. utility bills of various sorts showing the child's address as the one claimed. Where there is dispute about the correct address to use, the governors reserve the right to make enquiries of any relevant third parties, e.g. the child's GP. For children of UK Service personnel and other Crown Servants returning to the area proof of the posting is all that is required.

Non-routine admissions
It sometimes happens that a child needs to change school other than at the "normal" time; such admissions are known as non-routine admissions. The LA coordinates all admissions, including in-year admissions. Parents wishing their child to attend this school should arrange to visit the school. They will be provided with an application form once they have a definite local address. If there is a place in the appropriate class, then the governors will arrange for the admission to take place. If there is no place, then the admissions committee will consider the application and information about how to appeal against the refusal will be provided. Appeals for children moving into the area will not be considered until there is evidence of a permanent address, e.g. exchange of contracts or tenancy agreement with rent book. Please note that you cannot re-apply for a place at a school within the same school year unless there has been relevant, significant and material change in the family circumstances.

Appeals
Where the governors are unable to offer a place because the school is oversubscribed, parents have the right to appeal to an independent admission appeal panel, set up under the School Standards and Framework Act, 1998, as amended by the Education Act, 2002. **Parents should notify the clerk to the Governors at the school within 28 days of receiving the letter refusing a place**. Parents will have the opportunity to submit their case to the panel in writing and also to attend in order to present their case. You will normally receive 14 days' notice of the place and time of the hearing.

If your child was refused a place in Foundation Stage 2 or Key Stage 1 because of Government limits on infant class sizes, the grounds on which your appeal could be successful are limited. You would have to show that the decision was one which in the circumstances no reasonable governing body would have made, or that your child would have been offered a place if the governors' admissions arrangements had been properly implemented. Please note that this right of appeal against the governors' decision does not prevent you from making an appeal in respect of any other school.

Fraudulent applications
Where the governing body discovers that a child has been awarded a place as the result of an intentionally misleading application from a parent (for example a false claim to residence in the catchment area or of involvement in a place of worship) which effectively denies a place to a child with a stronger claim, then the governing body is required to withdraw the offer of the place. The application will be considered afresh and a right of appeal offered if a place is refused.

Deferred admission
If your child is due to start school during the next academic year, it is important that you apply for a place for September. If your child's fifth birthday is between the months of September and December, then, if you wish it, admission may be deferred until January or taken up on a part time basis until that point; if it is between January and April, then admission may be deferred until the start of the summer term or taken up on a part time basis until that point, though it is likely to be in your child's interest to start no later than January.

Twins/multiple births
Where there are children of multiple births wishing to be admitted and the sibling is the 30th child, the governors may admit over the infant class requirement if it is possible to do so.

St John's Catholic Infant School

St John's Catholic Infant School is a Catholic Infant School under the trusteeship of the Diocese of Shrewsbury. It is maintained by Wirral Education Authority. As a Voluntary Aided School, the Governing Body is the Admissions Authority and is responsible for taking decisions on applications for admissions. The coordination of admissions arrangements is undertaken by the Education Authority. For the school's year commencing September 2017, the Governing Body has set its admissions number at 60.

The ethos of this school is Catholic. The school was founded by the Catholic Church to provide education for children of Catholic families. The school is conducted by the Governing Body as part of the Catholic Church in accordance with its Trust Deed and Instrument of Government and seeks at all times to be witness to Jesus Christ. The school's role is to participate in the mission of the Catholic Church by providing a curriculum, including Catholic religious education and worship, which will help children to grow in their understanding of the Good News and in the practice of their faith. The school will help the children develop fully as human beings and prepare them to undertake their responsibilities as Catholics in society. The school requires all parents applying for a place here to understand and respect this ethos and its importance to the school community. This does not affect the rights of parents who are not of the Catholic faith to apply for a place here.

ADMISSIONS TO THE SCHOOL will be made by the Governing Body. All preferences listed on the Local Authority Preference Form will be considered on an equal basis with the following set of ADMISSIONS CRITERIA forming a priority order where there are more applications for admission than the school has places available.

1. Children who are in care of a Local Authority (Looked after children) and previously Looked After Children.
2. Baptised Roman Catholic children who have a sibling in St John's Infant or St John's Junior school at the time of admission.
3. Baptised Roman Catholic children resident in the parishes of St John's, Bebington and St Luke's, Spital.
4. Baptised Roman Catholic children resident in other parishes.
5. Non Roman Catholic children who have a sibling in St John's Infant or St John's Junior school at the time of admission.
6. Other children.

NOTES

a) All applicants will be considered at the same time and after the closing date for admissions which is 15 January 2017 (or date set by LA). Applications received after this date will be treated as a late application and will not be considered until after the main allocation of places has taken place.

b) 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 functions (under section 22(1) of the Children Act 1989) A previously Looked After Child is one who immediately moved on from status after becoming subject to an adoption, residence or special guardianship order.

c) For a child to be considered as a Roman Catholic evidence of such Baptism will be required.

d) It is the duty of governors to comply with regulations on class size limits at Key Stage One. The Governing body may exceed the regulations for twins, siblings in the same year group and children from multiple births where one of the children is the 30th child admitted.

e) If in any category there are more applications than places available, priority will be given on the basis of shortest walking distance from home to school, those living nearer to the school having priority. Distance will be measured using the Local Authority's computerised measuring system with those living nearer to the school having priority. In the event of distances being the same for 2 or more applicants where the distance would be last place/s to be allocated, a random lottery will be carried out in a public place. All the names will be entered into a hat and the required number of names will be drawn out.

f) Where a child lives with parents with shared responsibility, each for part of a week, the child's "permanent place of residence" will be determined as the address of the parent who normally has responsibility for the majority of school days in a week.

g) Sibling is defined as a brother or sister, half brother or sister, adopted brother or sister, step-brother or sister, or the child of the parent/carer's partner where the child for whom the school place is sought is living in the same family unit at the same address as that sibling.

h) A waiting list for children who have not been offered a place will be kept and will be ranked according to the Admissions Criteria. Parents will be informed of their child's position on the waiting list which will be operated for no longer than the end of the autumn term.

   The waiting list does not consider the date the application was received or the length of time a child's name has been on the waiting list. This means that a child's position on the list may change if another applicant is refused a place and their child has higher priority in the admissions criteria.

i) For 'In-Year' applications received outside the normal admissions round and if places are available then children qualifying under the published criteria will be admitted. If there are places available, but more applicants than places then the published over subscription criteria will be applied. In Year and late applications will be treated as per the co-ordinated arrangements published by the Local Authority.

j) If an application for admission has been turned down by the Governing Body, parents can appeal to an Independent Appeals Panel. Forms for this appeal may be obtained from the Head of Legal and Member Services, Wallasey Town Hall. The completed form must be returned to the Head of Legal and Member Services not later than twenty days from the date the allocation letter received. Parents must give reasons for appealing in writing and the decision of the Appeals Panel is binding on the Governors.

k) If a child is a "summer born child", parents may request that the date their child is admitted to school is deferred to later in the school year. However, the child must 3 start school before the end of that school year. If a parent wishes their child to be educated out of their normal school year (kept back a year), they must discuss this with the school before applying. However, the final decision on this rests with the Headteacher.

l) The Governing Body reserve the right to withdraw the offer of a place where false evidence is received in relation to baptism, sibling connections or place of residence.

St John's Catholic Junior School

St John's Catholic Junior School is a Catholic Junior School under the trusteeship of the Diocese of Shrewsbury. It is maintained by Wirral Education Authority. As a Voluntary Aided School, the Governing Body is the Admissions Authority and is responsible for taking decisions on applications for admissions. The coordination of admissions arrangements is undertaken by the Education Authority. For the school's year commencing September 2017, the Governing Body has set its admissions number at 60.

The ethos of this school is Catholic. The school was founded by the Catholic Church to provide education for children of Catholic families. The school is conducted by the Governing Body as part of the Catholic Church in accordance with its Trust Deed and Instrument of Government and seeks at all times to be witness to Jesus Christ. We ask all parents applying for a place here to respect this ethos and its importance to the school community. This does not affect the right of parents who are not of the faith of this school to apply for and be considered for a place here.

ADMISSIONS TO THE SCHOOL will be made by the Governing Body. All preferences listed on the Local Authority Preference Form will be considered on an equal basis with the following set of ADMISSIONS CRITERIA forming a priority order where there are more applications for admission than the school has places available.

1. Children who are in care of a Local Authority (Looked after children) and previously Looked After Children.
2. Baptised Catholic children who have a sibling in St John's Infant or St John's Junior school at the time of admission.
3. Baptised Catholic children resident in the parishes of St John's, Bebington and St Luke's, Spital.
4. Baptised Catholic children resident in other parishes.
5. Non Catholic children who have a sibling and attend St John's Infant or St John's Junior schools at the time of admission.
6. Non Catholic children whose parents wish them to have a Catholic education.

NOTES

a) All parents of Year 2 pupils must complete an Internal Transfer Form obtained from the school office by January 2017. All applications will be considered at the same time.

b) 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 functions (under section 22(1) of the Children Act 1989) A previously Looked After Child is one who immediately moved on from status after becoming subject to an adoption, residence or special guardianship order.

c) All applicants will be required to produce a short birth certificate.

d) All Catholic applicants will be required to produce evidence of a Catholic Baptism.

e) If category (3) or subsequent categories are oversubscribed i.e. there are more applications than places available, priority will be given on the basis of distance from home to school, those living nearer to the school having priority. Distance will be measured using the Local Authority's computerised measuring system with those living nearer to the school having priority. In the event of distances being the same for 2 or more applicants where the distance would be last place/s to be allocated, a random lottery will be carried out in a public place. All the names will be entered into a hat and the required number of names will be drawn out.

f) Where a child lives with parents with shared responsibility, each for part of a week, the child's "permanent place of residence" will be determined as the address of the parent who normally has responsibility for the majority of school days in a week.

g) Siblings are defined as a brother or sister, half brother or sister, adopted brother or sister, step-brother or sister, or the child of the parent/carer's partner where the child for whom the school place is sought is living in the same family unit at the same address as that sibling.

h) A waiting list for children who have not been offered a place will be kept and will be ranked according to the Admissions Criteria. Parents will be informed of their child's position on the waiting list which will be operated for no longer than the end of the autumn term.

i) For 'In-Year' applications received outside the normal admissions round and if places are available then children qualifying under the published criteria will be admitted. If there are places available, but more applicants than places then the published over subscription criteria will be applied. In Year and late applications will be treated as per the co-ordinated arrangements published by the Local Authority.

j) If an application for admission has been turned down by the Governing Body, parents can appeal to an Independent Appeals Panel. Forms for this appeal may be obtained from the Head of Legal and Member Services, Wallasey Town Hall. Parents must be allowed at least twenty school days from the date of notification that their application was unsuccessful to submit that appeal. Parents must give reasons for appealing in writing and the decision of the Appeals Panel is binding on the Governors.

k) The Governing Body reserve the right to withdraw the offer of a place where false evidence is received in relation to baptism, sibling connections or place of residence.

SCHOOLS IN WEST WIRRAL

*Schools with nursery class

Dawpool CofE Primary School

The admission policy is available from the school.

In addition to the Common Application Form (online or paper) please note that this school requires a supplementary form to be completed and returned to the school.

Ladymount Catholic Primary School

Ladymount is a Catholic Primary School under the trusteeship of the Diocese of Shrewsbury. It is maintained by Wirral Authority. As a Voluntary Aided School, the Governing Body is the Admissions Authority and is responsible for taking decisions on applications for admissions. The co-ordination of admissions arrangements is undertaken by the Local Authority. For the school's year commencing September 2017, the Governing Body has set its admissions number at 45.

ADMISSIONS TO THE SCHOOL will be made by the Governing Body. All preferences listed on the Local Authority Preference Form will be considered on an equal basis with the following set of ADMISSIONS CRITERIA forming a priority order where there are more applications for admission than the school has places available.

1. Looked After Children and previously Looked After Children.
2. Baptised Roman Catholic children resident in either the parish of Our Lady & St John, Heswall or the parish of Holy Family, Pensby with priority being given to children who also have a sibling in the school at the time of admission.
3. Baptised Roman Catholic children from other parishes with priority being given to children who also have a sibling at the school at the time of admission.
4. Other children who have a sibling in the school at the time of admission.
5. Other children.

NOTES

a) All applicants will be considered at the same time and after the closing date for admissions, which is the date in January 2017, as set by the LA.

b) 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 functions (under section 22(1) of the Children Act 1989). A previously Looked After Child is one who immediately moved on from that status after becoming subject to an adoption, residence or special guardianship order.

c) For a child to be considered as Roman Catholic, evidence of such baptism will be required.

d) It is the duty of Governors to comply with class size limits at Key Stage One.The Governing body may exeed the regulations for twins, siblings in the same year group and children from multiple births where one of the children is the 30th child admitted.

e) If Category 2 or any other category is oversubscribed and there are more applications than places available, priority will be given on the basis of distance from home to school, those living nearer to the school having priority. Distance will be measured, using the Local Authority's computerised measuring system, from the nearest school gate to the home address using the shortest road route, unless it is possible to use a footpath which the LA consider to be a safe walking route. In the event of distances being the same for 2 or more applicants where this distance would be last place/s to be allocated, a random lottery will be carried out in a public place. All the names will be entered into a hat and the required number of names will be drawn out.

f) Where a child lives with parents with shared responsibility, each for part of a week, the child's "permanent place of residence" will be determined as the address of the parents who normally has responsibility for the majority of school days in a week.

g) Sibling is defined as a brother or sister, half brother or sister, adopted brother or sister, step brother or sister, or the child of the parent/ carer's partner where the child for whom the school place is sought is living in the same family unit at the same address as that sibling.

h) A waiting list for children who have not been offered a place will be kept and will be ranked according to the Admission Criteria. Parents will be informed of their child's position on the waiting list which will not be operated for longer than the end of Autumn Term.

i) For "In Year" applications received outside the normal admissions round and if places are available then children qualifying under the published criteria will be admitted. If there are places available but more applicants than places then the published oversubscription criteria will be applied

j) If an application for admission has been turned down by the Governing Body, parents can appeal to an Independent Appeals Panel. Parents are allowed twenty school days from the date of notification that their application was unsuccessful to submit that appeal. The parents must give their reasons for appealing in writing and the decision of the Appeals Panel is binding on the Governors.

k) Parents can request that the date their child, if below compulsory school age, is admitted to school is deferred to later in the school year or until the term when they reach compulsory school age.

l) The Governing Body reserve the right to withdraw the offer of a school place where false evidence is received in relation to baptism, sibling connections or place of residence.

Our Lady of Pity Catholic Primary School

Our Lady of Pity is a Catholic Primary School under the trusteeship of the Diocese of Shrewsbury. As a Catholic Voluntary Academy, the Holy Family Catholic Academy Trust is the Admissions Authority. All decisions relating to admissions applications will be undertaken by the Governing Body of this school. The co-ordination of admissions arrangements is undertaken by the Local Authority. For the school's year commencing September 2017, the Governing Body has set its admissions number at 60 (30 at the Main School Site and 30 at the Annexe Site).

ADMISSIONS TO THE SCHOOL will be made by the Governing Body. All preferences listed on the Local Authority Preference Form will be considered on an equal basis with the following set of ADMISSIONS CRITERIA forming a priority order where there are more applications for admissions than the school has places available.

1. Baptised Catholic children who are in the care of the Local Authority (Looked after children), Baptised Catholic children previously in the care of the Local Authority and Baptised Catholic children with exceptional medical and/or social needs where these needs can only be met at this school.
2. Baptised Catholic children from inside the three feeder Parishes (ie resident in the Parishes of Our Lady of Pity, Greasby; St Agnes, West Kirby; Ss Catherine & Martina, Hoylake) who have a sibling connection at this school at the time of admission.
3. Baptised Catholic children from inside the three feeder Parishes (ie resident in the Parishes of Our Lady of Pity, Greasby; St Agnes, West Kirby; Ss Catherine & Martina, Hoylake).
4. Baptised Catholic children from outside the three feeder parishes who have a sibling connection at this school at the time of admission.
5. Baptised Catholic children from outside the three feeder parishes.
6. Non-Catholic children who are in the care of the Local Authority (Looked after children), non-Catholic children previously in the care of the Local Authority and non-Catholic children with exceptional medical and/or social needs where these needs can only be met at this school.
7. Non-Catholic children who have a sibling connection at the time of admission and whose parents wish them to have a Catholic education.
8. Non-Catholic children whose parents wish them to have a Catholic education.

NOTES

a) All applicants will be considered at the same time and after the closing date for admissions which is 15 January 2017.

b) Professional supporting evidence from eg. a doctor, psychologist, social worker, is essential if admission is to be made under the criterion for special medical or social circumstances and such evidence must set out the particular reasons why this school is the most suitable school for those difficulties.

c) A looked After Child is a child who is (a) in the care of a Local Authority, or (b) being provided with accommodation by the Local Authority in the exercise of their Social Services functions (under section 22(1) of the Children Act 1989). A previously Looked After Child is one who immediately moved on from that status after becoming subject to an adoption, residence or special guardianship order.

d) All Catholic applicants will be required to produce baptismal certificates.

e) It is the duty of governors to comply with class size limits at Key Stage One.

f) If any category is oversubscribed, ie there are more applicants than places available, then priority will be given to children with a sibling, followed by distance from home to the Main School. Distance will be measured as the shortest walking distance from the front door of the child's home address (including flats) to the main entrance of the school using the Local Authority's computerised measuring system with those living nearer to the school having priority. In the event of distances being the same for 2 or more applicants where this distance would be the last place/s to be allocated, a random lottery will be carried out in a public place. All the names will be entered into a hat and the required number of names will be drawn out. Parents need to be aware that places may be offered at either site according to the site allocation policy.

g) Where a child lives with parents with shared responsibility, each for part of the week, the child's 'permanent place of residence' will be determined as the address of the parent who normally has responsibility for the majority of the school days in the week.

h) Sibling is defined as a brother or sister, half brother or sister, adopted brother or sister, step brother or sister, or the child of the parent/carer's partner where the child for whom the school place is sought is living in the same family unit at the same address as that sibling.

i) A waiting list for children who have not been offered a place will be kept and will be ranked according to the Admission Criteria. Parents will be informed of their child's position on the waiting list which will not be operated for longer than the end of the Autumn Term.

j) For 'In Year' applications received outside the normal admissions round and if places are available then children qualifying under the published criteria will be admitted. If there are places available but more applicants than places, then the published oversubscription criteria will be applied.

k) If an application for admission has been turned down by the Governing Body, parents can appeal to an Independent Appeals Panel. Parents are allowed at least twenty school days from the date of notification that their application was unsuccessful to submit their appeal. Parents must give reasons for appealing in writing and the decision of the Appeals Panel is binding on the Governors.

l) The Governing Body reserve the right to withdraw the offer of a school place where false evidence is received in relation to baptism, sibling connections or place of residence.

m) Parents can request that the date their child, if below compulsory school age, is admitted to school is deferred to later in the school year or until the term when they reach compulsory school age.

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School (Upton)

St Joseph's is a Catholic Primary School under the trusteeship of the Diocese of Shrewsbury It is maintained by Wirral Authority. As a Voluntary Aided School, the Governing Body is the Admissions Authority and is responsible for taking decisions on applications for admissions.

The Catholic Faith and the Teachings of the Catholic Church have an essential role in school life and influence every aspect of the Curriculum. We ask all parents applying for a place here to respect this ethos and its importance to the school community. This does not affect the right of parents who are not of the Faith of this school to apply for and be considered for a place here.

The co-ordination of admissions arrangements is undertaken by the Local Authority. For the school's year commencing September 2017, the Governing Body has set its admissions number at 45

ADMISSIONS TO THE SCHOOL will be made by the Governing Body. All preferences listed on the Local Authority Preference Form will be considered on an equal basis with the following set of ADMISSIONS CRITERIA forming a priority order where there are more applications for admissions than the school has places available.

1. Catholic and non Catholic children in the care of the Local Authority who are Looked After or previously Looked After.
2. Baptised Catholic children from the parish of St. Joseph's Upton.
3. Baptised Catholic children who have siblings on roll at the school at the time of admission.
4. Baptised Catholic children from other parishes.
5. Non Catholic children who have a sibling in school at the time of admission.
6. All other children whose parents express a preference for St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Upton.

NOTES

a) All applicants will be considered at the same time and after the closing date for admissions which is January 15th 2017.

b) 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 functions (under section 22(1) of the Children Act 1989). A previously Looked After Child is one who immediately moved on from that status after becoming subject to an adoption, residence or special guardianship order.

c) For a child to be considered as a Catholic evidence of a Catholic Baptism will be required.

d) It is the duty of governors to comply with regulations on class size limits at Key Stage One.

e) If in any category there are more applications than places available, priority will be given on the basis of distance from home to school. Distance will be measured by the shortest walking route from the front door of the child's home address (including the community entrance to flats) to the main entrance of the school using the Local Authority's computerised measuring system with those living nearer to the school having priority. In the event of distances being the same for 2 or more applicants where this distance would be last place/s to be allocated, a random lottery will be carried out in a public place. All the names will be entered into a hat and the required number of names will be drawn out.

f) Where a child lives with parents with shared responsibility, each for part of a week, the child's "permanent place of residence" will be determined as the address of the parent who normally has responsibility for the majority of school days in a week.

g) Sibling is defined as a brother or sister, half brother or sister, adopted brother or sister, step brother or sister, or the child of the parent/carer's partner where the child for whom the school place is sought is living in the same family unit at the same address as that sibling.

h) A waiting list for children who have not been offered a place will be kept and will be ranked according to the Admission Criteria. Parents will be informed of their child's position on the waiting list which will not be operated for longer than the end of the Autumn Term.

i) For 'In Year' applications received outside the normal admissions round and if places are available then children qualifying under the published criteria will be admitted. If there are places available but more applicants than places then the published oversubscription criteria will be applied.

j) If an application for admission has been turned down by the Governing Body, parents can appeal to an Independent Appeals Panel. Parents must be allowed at least twenty school days from the date of notification that their application was unsuccessful to submit that appeal. Parents must give reasons for appealing in writing and the decision of the Appeals Panel is binding on the Governors.

k) Parents can request that the date their child, if below compulsory school age, is admitted to school is deferred to later in the school year or until the term when they reach compulsory school age.

l) The Governing Body reserve the right to withdraw the offer of a school place where false evidence is received in relation to baptism, sibling connections or place of residence.

St Michael and All Angel's Catholic Primary School*

St Michael and All Angels Catholic Primary School is a Catholic Primary School under the trusteeship of the Diocese of Shrewsbury. It is maintained by Wirral Education Authority. As a Voluntary Aided School, the Governing Body is the Admissions Authority and is responsible for taking decisions on applications for admissions.

The Catholic Faith and the Teachings of the Catholic Church have an essential role in school life and influence every aspect of the Curriculum. We ask all parents applying for a place here to respect this ethos and its importance to the school community. This does not affect the right of parents who are not of the Faith of this school to apply for and be considered for a place here. The co-ordination of admissions arrangements is undertaken by the Local Authority.

The co-ordination of admissions arrangements is undertaken by the Local Authority. For the school's year commencing September 2017, the Governing Body has set its admissions number at 29.

ADMISSIONS TO THE SCHOOL will be made by the Governing Body. All preferences listed on the Local Authority Preference Form will be considered on an equal basis with the following set of admissions criteria forming a priority order where there are more applications for admissions than the school has places available.

1. Baptised Catholic Looked After Children and previously Looked After Children.
2. Any child with a Statement of Special Educational Needs or EHCP (Education Health and Care Plan) that names the school.
3. Baptised Catholic children who have a sibling in the school at the time of admission.
4. Baptised Catholic children resident in the parish of St Michael and All Angels Catholic Church.
5. Baptised Catholic children from other parishes.
6. Non Catholic Looked After Children and previously Looked After Children.
7. Non Catholic children who have a sibling in the school at the time of admission.
8. Other children.

NOTES

a) All applicants will be considered at the same time and after the closing date for admissions which is 15 January 2017 (date published by the local authority).

b) 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 functions (under section 22(1) of the Children Act 1989). A previously Looked After Child is one who immediately moved on from that status after becoming subject to an adoption, residence or special guardianship order.

c) For a child to be considered as a Catholic evidence of a Catholic Baptism will be required.

d) It is the duty of governors to comply with regulations on class size limits at Key Stage One.

e) If any category there are more applications than places available, priority will be given on the basis of distance from home to School. Distance will be measured by the shortest walking route from the front door of the child's home address (including the community entrance to flats) using the Local Authority's computerised measuring system, with those living nearer to the school having priority. In the event of distances being the same for 2 or more applicants where this distance would be the last place/s to be allocated, a random lottery will be carried out in a public place. All the names will be entered into a hat and the required number of names will be drawn out.

f) Where a child lives with parents with shared responsibility, each for part of a week, the child's "permanent place of residence" will be determined as the address of the parent who normally has responsibility for the majority of school days in a week.

g) Sibling is defined as a brother or sister, half brother or sister, adopted brother or sister, step brother or sister, or the child of the parent/carer's partner where the child for whom the school place is sought is living in the same family unit at the same address as that sibling.

h) A waiting list for children who have not been offered a place will be kept and will be ranked according to the Admission Criteria. Parents will be informed of their child's position on the waiting list which will not be operated for longer than the end of the Autumn Term.

i) For 'In Year' applications received outside the normal admissions round and if places are available then children qualifying under the published criteria will be admitted. If there are places available but more applicants than places then the published oversubscription criteria will be applied.

j) If an application for admission has been turned down by the Governing Body, parents can appeal to an Independent Appeals Panel. Parents must be allowed at least twenty school days from the date of notification that their application was unsuccessful to submit that appeal. Parents must give reasons for appealing in writing and the decision of the Appeals Panel is binding on the Governors.

k) Parents can request that the date their child, if below compulsory school age, is admitted to school is deferred to later in the school year or until the term when they reach compulsory school age.

l) The Governing Body reserve the right to withdraw the offer of a school place where false evidence is received in relation to baptism, sibling connections or place of residence.

St Peter's CofE Primary School

Parents should be aware before applying that in this school RE, collective worship and our whole ethos are based on the teachings of the Church of England.

Applications for admission to the school should be made on the common application form or on-line between September 2016 and January 2017, and also on the school's supplementary form by those applying under criteria 3, 4 and 7.

Applications may also be made on-line by using the common application form. It is not normally possible to change the order of your preferences for schools after the closing date. Whether application is made on paper or electronically, **the Supplementary Form must be completed by those applying under criteria 3, 4 and 7**.

Letters informing parents of whether or not their child has been allocated a place will be sent out by the Local Authority in April 2017. Parents of children not admitted will be informed of the reason and offered an alternative place by the Authority.

The number of places available for admission to Reception in the year 2017 will be a maximum of 45. This arrangement follows consultation between the governing body, the Diocesan Board of Education, Local Authorities and other admissions authorities in the area. The governing body will not place any restrictions on admissions to the reception class unless the number of children for whom admission is sought exceeds this number. By law, no infant class may contain more than thirty children.

The Governing Body operates a system of equal preferences under which they consider all preferences equally and the Local Authority allocates places according to its policy. In the event that there are more applicants than places, the governing body will allocate places using the following criteria, which are listed in order of priority:

1. Looked after children and previously looked after children who were looked after, but ceased to be so because they were adopted (or became subject to a residence order or special guardianship order).
2. Children with special medical or social circumstances affecting the child where these needs can only be met at this school.
3. Children whose parents are faithful and regular worshippers in the Parish Churches of St Peter and the Good Shepherd, Heswall. Newcomers to the parish must have a similar Anglican affiliation in their previous parish.
4. Children whose parents are faithful and regular worshippers in a neighbouring Anglican Church for whom this is the closest Church of England school based on the distance from the school measured by the shortest walking route from the front door of the child's home address (including flats) to the main entrance of the school, using the Local Authority's computerised measuring system, with those living closer to the school receiving the higher priority.
5. Children who have a sibling in school who will still be attending school the following year.
6. Children resident in the Parish of Heswall within the area bounded on the Easterly side by Telegraph Road (but only including those houses numbered as odd within the range of 83-291 on that road), and on the Southerly side by the Mount (including Mount Avenue), Feather Lane, the Northern part of Delavor Road (even numbers only) and Banks Road.
7. Children whose families are faithful and regular worshippers of another Christian denomination, as recognised by Churches Together in Britain and Ireland and for whom this is the closest Church of England school based on the distance from the school measured by the shortest walking route from the front door of the child's home address (including flats) to the main entrance of the school, using the Local Authority's computerised measuring system, with those living closer to the school receiving the higher priority.
8. Other children.

NOTES

a) Professional supporting evidence from eg a doctor, psychologist, social worker, is essential if admission is to be made under the criterion for special medical or social circumstances, and such evidence must set out the particular reasons why the school is question is the most suitable school and the difficulties which would be caused if the child had to attend another school.

b) By "faithful and regular" we mean attendance at a minimum of two services per month for at least six months prior to the closing date for applications. **Evidence for this must be provided on the school's supplementary form.**

c) A parent is any person who has parental responsibility or care of the child. Where admission arrangements refer to 'parent's attendance at church' it is sufficient for just one parent to attend.

d) Map showing the boundaries is available from school.

e) Sibling refers to brother or sister, half brother or sister, adopted brother or sister, step brother or sister, or the child of the parent/carer's partner, and in every case, the child should be living in the same family unit at the same address.

f) Where the above criteria are not adequate to distinguish between requests for admission which cannot all be accepted without exceeding the admission limit, priority will be decided on the basis of the distance from the school measured by the shortest walking route from the front door of the child's home address (including flats) to the main entrance of the school, using the Local Authority's computerised measuring system, with those living closer to the school receivingthe higher priority.

Children with an Education, Health and Care Plan (formerly a Statement)

Section 324 of the Education Act 1996 requires the governing bodies of all maintained schools to admit a child with a Statement of Special Education Needs that names their school.

Admissions information

Last year (2015/2016) the school allocated all 45 places and received two appeals both of which were successful.

Late applications for admission

Where there are extenuating circumstances for an application being received after the last date for applications, and it is before the governors have established their list of pupils to be admitted, then it will be considered alongside all the others.

Otherwise, applications which are received after the last date will be considered after all the others, and placed on the waiting list in order according to the criteria.

Waiting list

Where we have more applications than places, the admissions criteria will be used. Children who are not admitted will have their name placed on a waiting list. The names on this waiting list will be in the order resulting from the application of the admissions criteria. Since the date of application cannot be a criterion for the order of names on the waiting list, late applicants for the school will be slotted into the order according to the extent to which they meet the criteria. Thus it is possible that a child who moves into the area later to have a higher priority than one who has been on the waiting list for some time. If a place becomes available within the admission number, the child whose name is at the top of the list will be offered a place. This is not dependent on whether an appeal has been submitted.

This waiting list will operate until the end of the autumn term.

Address of pupil

The address used on the school's admission form must be the current one at the time of application. If the address changes subsequently, the parents should notify the school. Where the parents live at different addresses, the current-at-the-time-of-application, normal address of the child will be the one used. This will normally be the one where the child wakes up for the majority of Monday to Friday mornings. Parents may be asked to show evidence of the claim that is being made for the address, e.g. utility bills of various sorts showing the child's address as the one claimed. Where there is dispute about the correct address to use, the governors reserve the right to make enquiries of any relevant third parties, e.g. the child's GP. For children of UK Service personnel and other Crown Servants returning to the area proof of the posting is all that is required.

Non-routine admissions

It sometimes happens that a child needs to change school other than at the "normal" time; such admissions are known as non-routine admissions. The LA coordinates all admissions, including in-year admissions. Parents wishing their child to attend this school should arrange to visit the school. They will be provided with an application form once they have a definite local address. If there is a place in the appropriate class, then the governors will arrange for the admission to take place. If there is no place, then the admissions committee will consider the application and information about how to appeal against the refusal will be provided. Appeals for children moving into the area will not be considered until there is evidence of a permanent address, e.g. exchange of contracts or tenancy agreement with rent book.

Please note that you cannot re-apply for a place at a school within the same school year unless there has been relevant, significant and material change in the family circumstances.

Appeals

Where the governors are unable to offer a place because the school is over subscribed, parents have the right to appeal to an independent admission appeal panel, set up under the School Standards and Framework Act, 1998, as amended by the Education Act, 2002. **Parents should notify the clerk to the governors at the school within 28 days of receiving the letter refusing a place**. Parents will have the opportunity to submit their case to the panel in writing and also to attend in order to present their case. You will normally receive 14 days' notice of the place and time of the hearing.

If your child was refused a place in Foundation 2 or Key Stage 1 because of Government limits on Infant class sizes, the grounds on which your appeal could be successful are limited. You would have to show that the decision was one which in the circumstances no reasonable governing would have made, or that your child would have been offered a place if the governors' admissions arrangements had been properly implemented.

Please note that this right of appeal against the governors' decision does not prevent you from making an appeal in respect of any other school.

Fraudulent applications

Where the governing body discovers that a child has been awarded a place as the result of an intentionally misleading application from a parent (for example a false claim to residence in the catchment area or of involvement in a place of worship) which effectively denies a place to a child with a stronger claim, then the governing body is required to withdraw the offer of the place. The application will be considered afresh and a right of appeal offered if a place is refused.

Deferred admission

If your child is due to start school during the next academic year, it is important that you apply for a place for September. If your child's fifth birthday is between the months of September and December, then, if you wish it, admission may be deferred until January; if it is between January and April, then admission may be deferred until the start of the summer term though it is likely to be in your child's interest to start no later than January.

Twins/multiple births

Where there are children of multiple births wishing to be admitted and the sibling is the 45th child, the governors may admit over the infant class requirement if it is possible to do so.

Woodchurch CofE Primary School

Woodchurch C.E. Primary School is situated in the Diocese of Chester and serves the parish of Holy Cross, Woodchurch. As a Voluntary Aided School, the Governing Body is the Admission Authority, responsible for taking decisions on applications for admission and operating a system of equal preferences in accordance with the admissions criteria. For the school year commencing September 2017, the Governing Body has set its planned admission number at 30.

This admission was agreed in conjunction with Chester Diocese and the Wirral Local Authority coordinated scheme.

Section 324 of the Education Act 1996 requires the governing body of all maintained schools to admit **a child with a Statement of Educational Needs** (or Education Health and Care Plan that names their school.

Admissions Criteria
The Governor and Head teacher will consider the following criteria in order of priority when considering admission of children to school.

1. Priority will be given to children who are or have been in the care of the local authority (see note a).
2. Children who themselves or have parents who have been faithful and regular worshippers in the Parish of Holy Cross, Woodchurch. This should have been for the 2 year period, prior to the date of the proposed admission (see note b).
3. Children who have a sibling (brother or sister) in school at the time of admission to the school and not when the place is offered. The sibling must include those who are adopted or are step brother or sister living at the same address (see note i).
4. Children who themselves or have parents who have been faithful and regular worshippers at another Christian Church as recognised by **Churches Together in Britain and Ireland** and for whom this is the nearest Anglican school measured by the shortest walking route from the front door of the child's home address (including flats) to the main entrance of the school, using the Local Authority's computerised measuring system. This should have been for the 2 year period prior to the date of the proposed admission. (see note c).
5. Children resident in the Parish of Holy Cross, Woodchurch (a map showing the Parish is available from school). (see note c, f and g).

PLEASE NOTE

If there are more applicants than places, in respect of Numbers 2, 4, 5 and 6, the following will apply.

a) This includes children who have been adopted.

b) "By 'faithful and regular' we mean attendance at a minimum of two services per month. Confirmation from your incumbent or minister will be required as proof of attendance."

c) "Resident" refers to the child's permanent home at the proposed date of admission. In addition to the application form the school can request additional proof of residence such as a utility bill. Following the guidance for the L.A. coordinated scheme 'resident' also refers to children who ordinarily 'wake-up' at the address provided.

d) A parent is any person who has parental responsibility or care of the child.

e) Parent's attendance at church requires at least one parent to attend church.

f) Where the above criteria are not adequate to distinguish between requests for admission which cannot all be accepted without exceeding the Admission Limit, priority will be decided on the basis of the distance. The nearness of a home is measured by the shortest walking route from the front door of the child's home address (including flats) to the main entrance of the school, using the Local Authority's computerised measuring system, with those closer to school receiving the higher priority.

g) The Governing Body is ultimately responsible for determining admissions to the school. Delegation of powers to the Headteacher will only take place when the governors are advised to if there are fewer applications than places.

h) In the event of children being equidistant from the school, a random allocation will be undertaken by an independent body.

i) In the event of places being allocated in a school for twins or children of multiple births, a random allocation will be used in order to decide which child is offered a place.

j) Priority may be given to the children of staff members when they have been employed by the school continuously for at least two years or where there is a demonstrable staff shortage. Governors may define who is to be included in this category.

k) A waiting list will be kept open until the end of the Autumn Term 2017-18.

Admissions Process

For admission to Foundation 2 parents/carers are advised to contact the school or Wirral Local Authority for details of the 'coordinated scheme'.

The Governors and Head teacher will considered the following criteria in order of priority when considering admission of children to school.

- Priority will be given to children in the care of the local authority.
- Children who have parents who are faithful and regular worshippers in the Parish of Holy Cross, Woodchurch. (see note a)
- Children who have a brother or sister in school at the time that the places were offered.
- Children who have parents who are faithful and regular worshippers at another Anglican Parish Church and for whom this is the nearest school aided by a member of the **Churches Together in Britain and Ireland.** (see note a)
- Children who are transferring from another C.E. School for whom this is the closest school aided by a member of the **Churches Together in Britain and Ireland.**
- Children resident in the Parish of Holy Cross (a map showing the Parish is available in school). (see notes b and c)

In the event that an application had been made for twins, the places would have been offered to the children in order of the time of their birth.

In the event of **over subscription**, the Admission Authority will use the Admission Criteria when offering a child a place in the school.

If and when a place becomes available, they will be offered to children on a **waiting list** following the same criteria as when places were first offered. The waiting list will be kept until the end of the autumn term (31 December 2017).

For '**deferred admissions**' to Foundation 2, the school may stage admission over the first two weeks of the term to provide a gentle introduction to school.

For '**non-routine admissions**' to a voluntary-aided school, applicants should contact the Headteacher of the school and complete a common application form and return it to the Children and Young People's Department.

The school will then only agree a place for a child if:

- There is room in your child's year group; and
- For the Year 1 and Year 2 children, there are not already 30 children in the class. The closing date for Primary Applications is 15 January 2017.

Late applications will be dealt with in accordance with our initial admissions criteria and the Wirral Local Authority coordinated scheme.

The admissions authority has the right to withdraw any place offered on the basis of a fraudulent or intentionally misleading application.

RIGHT OF APPEAL

Parents who are not offered a place for their child have the right of appeal to an independent panel. Parents wishing to appeal should write to the Clerk of the Appeal Panel, within 21 days from the date of notification of decision. Should an appeal be unsuccessful, the Governing Body will not consider further applications from the parents within the same academic year unless there have been significant and material changes in their circumstances.

This information is published by the Governors of Woodchurch Church of England Aided School in accordance with the relevant sections of the Education Act 1996 and the School Standards and Framework Act 1998. Admission criteria may change from one year to the next.

WIRRAL COMMUNITY AND VOLUNTARY CONTROLLED PRIMARY SCHOOL ADMISSION POLICY

Applications submitted by the 15 January 2017 will be considered first and places allocated up to the admission number of the school and in accordance with the following criteria:

1. Children who are looked after (in care), and children who were looked after but have been adopted or are subject to a residency order or special guardianship order ('previously in care').
2. Parents of children who live 'in zone' and already have older brothers or sisters at the school living in the same household at the time of the start date. If there are more children with older brothers or sisters at the school than there are places available, we will give priority to children with the youngest brothers or sisters at the school. Where there is more than one child with a sibling in the same year group priority will be given to those children who live nearest to the school.
3. Parents of pupils who live 'in zone' and have a valid medical reason. You must give details on the preference form and this may be checked by a medical officer of the health authority. A letter in support from a senior health care professional will be required as evidence, which must make clear why only this school is appropriate for your child's medical needs.
4. Parents of pupils who live 'in zone' and nearest to the school. We measure distances from home to the school gate nearest to the child's home using the shortest road route, unless it is possible to use a footpath which we consider to be a safe walking route.

   If children do not live in the school's catchment area and if places remain available, places will be allocated in accordance with the following criteria:
5. To children who already have older brother or sisters at the school when they are due to start and living in the same household. If there are more children with older brothers or sisters at the school than there are places available, we will give priority to children with the youngest brothers or sisters at the school. Where there is more than one child with a sibling in the same year group priority will be given to those children who live nearest to the school.
6. To children who have valid medical reasons for going to the school. You must give details on the preference form and this may be checked by a medical officer of the health authority. A letter in support from a senior health care professional will be required as evidence, which must make it clear why only this school is appropriate for your child's medical needs.
7. To pupils who live nearest to the school. We measure distances from home to the school gate nearest to the child's home using the shortest road route, unless it is possible to use a footpath which we consider to be a safe walking route.

NOTES

a) **Catchment zones.** Parents are advised to always include their zoned school as one of their preferences. A catchment area finder using the street name is available on the Council's website at www.wirral.gov.uk/schooladmissions
Please note that a place in your catchment school cannot be absolutely guaranteed, for example a school with an admission number of 30 may have more than 30 applications from parents living within the catchment area. Places would only be able to be offered up to the admission number and not beyond.

b) 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 functions under section 22(1) of the Children Act 1989. A previously Looked After child is one who immediately moved on from that status after becoming subject to an adoption, residence or special guardianship order.

c) **Siblings.** A sibling is a brother or sister, half brother or sister, adopted brother or sister, step-brother of sister or the child of the parent/carer's partner, where they are living in the same family unit/household at the same address. In the case of an infant school we will also treat a brother or sister at the junior school as a sibling but they will be given

lower priority to children at the same infant school. If there are more children with older brothers or sisters at the school than there are places available, we will give priority to children with the youngest brothers or sisters at the school. Where there is more than one child with a sibling in the same year group priority will be given to those children who live nearest to the school.

d) **Home address.** This must be the child's permanent home address where he/she lives with a person of parental responsibility as the main carer as defined by the Children Act 1989. Applicants must not give the address of a business, relative, childminder, friend, a temporary address or an address to which they hope to move. The home address must not be where parents have taken out a short term let on a property solely to use the address on the application form without any intention of taking up permanent residence there. Arrangements where parents leave and collect children from another relative or carer on a daily basis will be regarded as childcare arrangements, and the child will not be deemed to be "ordinarily resident" with that person

   Proof of residence may be requested which may include: a solicitors letter confirming completion date of a sale, a signed rental agreement showing the start and duration of the tenancy, and may include proof of sale of a previous property. Copies of Council tax and utility bills relevant to the property may also be requested. The information provided may be shared with other Departments of the Council in order to verify the authenticity of pupil's addresses.

e) **Applications from separated parents.** Only one application can be processed for each child; therefore it is important that both parties in shared custody arrangements are in agreement over the preferred school(s) named. Where a child spends equal time with both parents, the child's main residence should be submitted as their home address. If agreement cannot be reached, or if neither parent has been granted a Specific Issues Order in this respect, then the application will be accepted from the parent with whom the child is "ordinarily resident". This is defined as the address at which the child lives for the majority of the school week (Monday to Friday). Proof of address and residence arrangements will be required with the application or may be requested.

f) **Changes of address.** Parents and carers must inform the Council immediately in writing of a change of address, even if details of a future change of residency were included on the application form. The Council will require supporting evidence to show that the place of residency has changed; e.g. a letter from the solicitor confirming the completion date; a signed rental agreement showing the start of the tenancy and its duration. In addition further information may be requested - for example, copies of council tax and utility bills or any other information considered relevant to the application including evidence of disposal of previous property. Information and supporting evidence must be received by 28 February. Proof of residency received after 28 February will not be used to assign a higher criterion for admission, but will be used to send the decision letter on the published offer date.

g) **Deferred entry.** Parents can request deferred entry or part-time attendance up until their child reaches compulsory school age (the term following their 5th birthday). The request must be put in writing to the local authority. Parents should note that if a summer born child delays entry to the September after their 5th birthday, the child will ordinarily be expected to enter Year 1, not Foundation 2. Parents intending to request their child enter Foundation 2 rather than Year 1 are advised to apply as usual and to contact Wirral Council prior to 15 January to discuss actions. Requests will be considered on the circumstances of each individual case and will require agreement from the allocated school.

h) **Applying for a place.** Parents must return online or paper forms to the Children and Young People's Department by 15 January to ensure the allocation of a school place on 16 April or next working day. Applications received after the published deadline of 15 January will be dealt with once the offer of places has been sent to parents on 16 April.

i) **Late applications.** If places remain after all "on-time" applicants have been allocated places, places will then be allocated to late applicants (received after 15 January) up to the schools admission number according to the admission criteria above.

j) **Home to school distances**. Distances are calculated from home to the school gate nearest to the child's home using the shortest road unless it is possible to use a footpath which we consider to be a safe walking route using the Council's computerized Ordnance Survey Address Point based routing system. As a general guide, routes without pavements AND street lighting will be considered to be unsafe. In the event that two or more applicants where this distance would be the last place to be allocated, one application will be chosen at random.

k) **Continuing interest list.** A continuing interest list of children whose parents have expressed an interest in obtaining a Foundation 2 place at the school will be maintained until the end of August. This will include both late and on-time applicants. Priority on the list will be given in accordance with the published criteria and does not take into account how long the child has been on the list, or whether an appeal has been submitted. Each added child requires the list to be ranked again in line with the published admission criteria. The Authority will contact parents directly if a place becomes available for their child. In August, the Authority will then write to the parents of those children who have expressed a continuing interest to ask if they wish to remain on the list, which will then be held open until the end of the Autumn term. Schools cannot make offers of places to parents. It is not necessary to submit an appeal (see below) in order to be added to the continuing interest list.

l) **In Year applications.** Applications must be made on a common Primary School Transfer form stating up to three school preferences, directly to the Mainstream Admissions team, stating the reasons why a transfer is being requested. Applications will be dealt with as set out in the Wirral Co-ordinated Scheme for Admissions.

m) **Infant Class Size limit.** It is the duty of the governing body of schools to comply with regulations on class size limits at Foundation 2 and Key Stage 1, where classes are limited to 30 children. There are a limited number of exceptions which are set out in the School Admissions Code and in the Wirral Co-ordinated Scheme for Admissions.

n) **Transferring from Community Infant to Community Junior schools.** All children on roll at an Infant School are eligible to transfer from Year 2 to Year 3 to the linked Junior school even if they do not live in the school's catchment area. Other children must apply for an in year transfer and the admission criteria will be applied in determining whether a place will be allocated (see above).

o) **Appeals.** All parents will be informed of the school place allocated by the Local Authority. The notification will also inform the parent of the right to appeal and who to contact to make an appeal, which is to an Independent Appeal Panel. Parents should if possible submit an appeal in writing within 20 working days of receipt of notification of the outcome of their application.

p) **Nursery schools and classes**. Applications must be made directly to the school. If there are not enough places for all children who have applied, the school will give priority to children who will become 4 during the academic year. Within this category, they will give priority in the following order:

- Children with a particular medical reason for going to the school
- Children who live in the catchment area of another school which does not have a nursery class
- Children who live in the catchment area of the school or another school which does have a nursery class

If there are places left after all the four year olds have been offered a place, the school will then offer places to children who become 3 during the academic year in the following priority order:

- Children with special educational needs identified through a statutory assessment
- Children whose parents receive Income Support, Income based Job Seekers Allowance, Disability Living Allowance or Working Tax Credit
- Children whose birthday falls between 1 September and 31 December
- Children whose birthday falls between 1 January and 31 March
- Children whose birthday falls between 1 April and 31 August.

Within any category, the school will give priority to children who live nearest to the school measured by the shortest available walking route.

Note that attendance at a particular nursery or pre-school does not guarantee that a place will be allocated at a particular school.

q) **Withdrawal of places.** The Authority has the right to withdraw any place offered on the basis of a fraudulent or intentionally misleading application, including but not limited to, sibling connections or place of residence.

Wirral Council regularly check addresses and **any deliberate misrepresentation will result in a place being withdrawn**. The Council acts on behalf of all Wirral admission authorities and reserves the right to request independent confirmation of the child's place of residence, as felt appropriate.

The Mainstream Admissions team may have to share the information provided with other departments of the Council in order to verify the authenticity of pupil's addresses.

r) **Children with Special Educational Needs**
Schools are obliged to offer a place to a child with a Statement of Special Educational Needs or an Education Health and Care Plan (EHCP) that names the school following a statutory assessment.

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