

# Pre-Admissions, Admissions, Mid-Year Admissions

## FAQs

Q - Can you add my child's name to the waiting list?

A - Yes, but you must complete an In-Year admission form and submit it to the school first in order to be added

Q - I live in catchment area so should get a place?

A - Not if we don't have a place and are over our agreed admission numbers

Q - I came to school here and want my child to come here

A - This is not one of the criteria looked at when places are allocated

Q - My childcare provider lives in Stretton so they need to come here

A - This is not one of the criteria looked at when places are allocated - you may need to change your childcare provider if you are not offered a place here

Q - My child's sibling(s) already attend

A - If we are over our agreed admission numbers we will not be able to offer a place even though there is a sibling connection

Q - Children who live on my street attend here

A - Out of catchment children are often admitted when applying at Reception age if there are sufficient places, but it does not mean that area is now admitted automatically

Q - What are the criteria for admission?

A - 1. EHCP in place/SEN needs 2. Sibling currently at school 3. Living in catchment area 4. Living out of catchment

Q - If I live in the catchment area can you guarantee my child will get a place in Reception?

A - No, we can't guarantee a place to anyone. However, no catchment area child has been declined at Reception Admission in the past!

Q - Is my house in the catchment area? The builders have told me it is

A - Sometimes house buyers are told the wrong information by builders. We have a catchment map or you can ask Staffordshire County Council Admissions team to help you with this

Q - My child currently attends your Nursery so they are guaranteed a place in Reception?

A - No. The Reception Admission is a separate admission process and is governed by the Staffordshire Admissions criteria

Q - If I only put your school down you will have to give me a place?

A - No. If you only put one school down you will be randomly offered the nearest school to your home address that has places available. This may not be your catchment school and may be some distance from your home. You are strongly advised to put down 3 choices, especially if you do not have children at your preferred school and/or do not live in the catchment area

Q - I have put my child's name down in your admissions book so I don't have to apply

A - No. You have to make a formal application. The school admissions book is just to register your interest.

Q - My child will only be 4 in August - can I defer their entry until the following year?

A - Deferred admissions will be considered by the Headteacher, but parents must provide written evidence for this.

Q - If my child doesn't get a place can I apply as a deferred entry the next year?

A - No. You can only have "one bite of the apple" and apply for one intake.