

Pensby Primary School



Admissions Policy

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Admissions Policy Statement

Statement of Principle

Pensby Primary School follows the admission procedure as laid down by Wirral Local Authority. Admissions to the school are treated equally and based on the local authority's admissions policy for statutory school aged children. For admissions into the schools Nursery, please refer to the Nursery Admissions policy.

Purpose

Pensby Primary School treats every admission enquiry equally. Parents are fully informed at every stage of the process.

Aims

1. To follow Wirral's admission procedure.
2. To treat all enquiries and applications for admissions equally.
3. To fully inform parents of the process and of their options.

Summary

At Pensby Primary School the admissions procedure is fair and consistent. All applications are treated equally in accordance with LA policy. Communication between the school and parents is a vital part of the process.

Admission Policy Guidelines

Age of Admission

There is a statutory requirement for children to be admitted to full time education on the attainment of their fifth birthday.

In accordance with Wirral Policy the school has one admission date to reception classes. This is the beginning of the Autumn Term

Children whose fifth birthday falls between 1st September and 31st August will be admitted at the commencement of the Autumn Term.

Introductory Period

Arrangements will be made for children to attend school during the term prior to full-time admission. Several sessions are organised to help children become familiar with staff and the building.

Parents of 'young' four year old children may wish to discuss delayed entry with the Headteacher.

Admission Guidelines

The school's admission policy is in line with that of Wirral LA . The school's planned admission limit is **30 pupils per year group**. In the case of oversubscription, the school's priorities are in accordance with Wirral's published policy.

Admissions during the school year

Within the approved limits children may be admitted to any year of the school at anytime in the school year.

In offering places at over-subscribed schools, the Authority decides priorities for admission.

Admission decisions

All admissions to school (except for nursery – see separate policy) are made directly with the Local Authority. The school will guide families as to how and where to contact the Local Authority in all admission cases.

Admission Appeals

Parents wishing to appeal should refer their case to the Local Authority. Details can be found at <https://www.wirral.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/school-admissions>

School Procedure

1. Enquiries regarding pupil admission are referred to Head/Deputy.

2. If the request is an in year transfer from any Wirral primary schools, the families will be asked to report this request to the current school and the Headteacher/Deputy. The headteacher will also inform the current school of the admission request.
3. Meeting or visit is offered.
4. When the parents have made the decision to enrol their child a school admission form should be completed and submitted to the Local Authority – this can be done through the LA website www.wirral.gov.uk .
5. Parents wishing to register their child for the reception class are fully advised of the procedures required by the Local Authority concerning priorities/criteria. The school does not offer places.
6. The Local Authority and school will direct parents to the correct Preference Form and they are strongly advised to complete it by the stated date.
7. Parents are informed whether or not their child has secured a place by the Local Authority and in the case of F2 children by the published date given by the Local Authority.
8. Unsuccessful applicants may appeal to the Authority.
9. Parents of children are invited take part in our 'Induction to School' programme:
 - a. pre-school visits in the term prior to commencement
 - b. meeting given by Headteacher to parents whose children commence schooling in the forthcoming academic year (or online welcome videos).
10. A pupil's name may not be deleted from the attendance register unless they have also been deleted from the admission register.

To view Wirral's Primary Admissions Policy or gain more information on admissions use the link:

<https://www.wirral.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/school-admissions>