



# Holy Trinity CE Primary School

## Admissions Policy 2018

*“We are a church-owned school with a happy, caring, sharing atmosphere that recognises the worth of everyone in our multicultural, multiethnic community. We recognise the centrality of the spiritual development of our pupils and promote this through the whole of our curriculum.*

*It is our intention that the children should experience the wonders of God’s world. They should respect each other and learn to live in peace with themselves and their neighbours. This is fostered through good links with the community that the school serves.*

*Our aim is to enable the children to realise their full potential through the quality of education we give them. This is achieved through a professional dedicated staff, each of whom seeks to provide the highest standards of teaching and learning.”*

**For children who reach their 5<sup>th</sup> birthday during the School Year beginning September 1<sup>st</sup> the following information applies:**

- The Governors intend to admit 30 children to the Reception Class and applications must be made by the date identified by the local authority as the closing date for admissions applications.
- Parents are advised to remember that a place in the school's nursery provision does not automatically guarantee a place in the school's reception class.
- The Governors will consider all the applications received and, in the event of there being more than the stated admission number of 30, the following criteria will apply in the order shown below:-
- It is to be noted that children with a Statement of Special Educational Need will be given a place at this school if the school is named in the child's Statement.
  1. Children in public care (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 whose families can demonstrate a regular/strong worshipping commitment to a Church of England Church.
  3. Children whose families can demonstrate a regular/strong worshipping commitment to a church affiliated to 'Churches Together in England'.  
*NB. A strong worshipping commitment is defined as regular attendance at a Christian church at least monthly. This must be confirmed by a signed letter from the priest/minister of that church.*
  4. Children who have brothers and sisters (this includes step-brother/sister living at the same address) on the school roll at Holy Trinity at the time of admission.
  5. All other children.

**Notes**

- Where a child has parents with shared responsibility and lives with each for part of the week, the home address that is accepted will be the one that is used for the purposes of claiming Child Benefit.
- If there are more applicants falling within any of the above criteria than there are places remaining available, priority will be offered to applicants using a straight line distance measurement from home to school using the authority's electronic mapping system as a tie-breaker. This route must be paved and have street lighting. The distance will be measured by the shortest reasonable walking route from the child's home address to a mid-point in the school, using the Local Authority's computerised measuring system, with those living closer to the school receiving the higher priority.
- Where there are children of multiple births wishing to be admitted and the sibling is the 30<sup>th</sup> child, the governors may admit over the infant class size requirement if it is possible to do so.
- If children of armed forces personnel are presented for admission and infant class size regulations are involved the governors may admit the child if it is possible to do so.
- The names of unsuccessful applicants will, if requested, be placed on a waiting list at the school in the order that they meet the criteria.
- A parent whose child has been refused admission may make an appeal via – The Admissions Team, 3 Knowsley Place Bury, Lancashire, BL9 0EJ