Breadsall CE(VC) Primary

Admission Arrangements 2025/2026

At Breadsall CE Primary School, we believe every human being is created in God's image and therefore should be treated with love, dignity and respect. We celebrate diversity and difference and work hard to ensure our pupils have opportunities to engage meaningfully with people of different cultures, faiths and traditions. All members of our school are nurtured to behave respectfully at all times and to be advocates of change within our community and beyond.

Parents of all children, whether resident in the school catchment area or not, who wish to apply for a place for their child in Reception Year should apply through the central systems organised by their Local Authority.

The published admissions number for this school is 16 pupils.

As a voluntary controlled school, when applications for admission exceed the number of places available, the admissions criteria for community and voluntary controlled schools will be applied by the Local Authority.

Individual pupils who have an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school will be admitted.

In deciding on admissions for all community and voluntary controlled schools in Derbyshire, the following order of priority will be adopted:

1. Looked After Children and all Previously Looked After Children including those who appear (to the admissions authority) to have been in state care outside England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted (Internationally Adopted Previously Looked After Children (IAPLAC)).

2. Children living in the normal area* served by the school at the time of application and admission who have brothers or sisters** attending the school at the time of application and admission.

3. Children living in the normal area served by the school at the time of application and admission.

4. Children not living in the normal area served by the school but who have brothers or sisters attending the school at the time of application and admission.

5. In the case of voluntary controlled church schools, children whose parents request a place on religious grounds.***

6. Other children whose parents have requested a place.

Where, in the case of 2, 3, 4, 5 or 6 above, choices have to be made between children satisfying the same criteria, those children living nearest to the school (measured by straight line) will be given preference. ****

In Year Applications

Your child may need to move schools at a time other than when they start primary school. This is referred to as "In Year Admissions". If you wish to apply for a place at our school at any time other than the usual intake period, then you will need to contact your Local Authority.

Further Information

Further information on admissions to primary schools can be found by visiting the admissions page for your local authority. This will be determined by where you live.

Policy Review

This policy was approved for use on 27th January 2025 at the meeting of the Governing Body.

This policy will be reviewed annually in accordance with our schools' policy delegation schedule.

We will review this policy earlier than the scheduled review date should there be any change in guidance or legislation related to this policy or if we feel that an earlier review is necessary.

Definitions (taken from Derbyshire County Council's "How to apply for a primary school place")

*Living in the normal area is defined as the child having settled residence in a property which is the child's only or main residence.

Documentary evidence, including proof of residence at the property concerned, may be required e.g. council tax/utility bills, sale/rental agreements.

The County Council reserves the right to withdraw any offer of a school place which has been obtained as a result of misleading or fraudulent information.

Please note a place cannot be guaranteed for any child, even those living in a school's normal area.

**The term brother or sister includes:

(a) a half-brother and/or a half-sister

(b) a legally adopted child being regarded as a brother or sister

(c) a step-brother and/or step-sister residing in the same family unit.

***Parents seeking a place at a voluntary controlled school on religious grounds need to have a supplementary form completed by a Minister, Priest or Pastor or Religious leader if the child is a member

of another Christian Church or world Faith, who know the family and can confirm regular attendance at public worship (Regular worship is defined as attendance at public worship at least once a month).

The form is available from Derbyshire County Council and should be returned to the Admissions and Transport Team.

Baptismal certificates, where appropriate, should also be supplied.

Exceptional circumstances will be considered if explained in writing by the relevant religious leader.

****Route Measurement: The Children's Services Department has a Geographic Information System (GIS) to measure the straight-line distance. It is measured by a standard straight-line distance calculated to within two metres. The location of the home address is the Delivery Point Address (normally the house front door) which is sourced from the PAF (Postal Address File) component of Address Base. For schools, the grid reference is taken from the postal address file and will normally be the centre of the school for primary phase schools, or the nearest gate or entrance for secondary schools