North Stainley CE Primary School

We are our school, we have our roots and foundation in love



Our school is us, we will grow, blossom and flourish.

Admissions Policy

Policy agreed: (14/10/20)

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Headteacher:

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Policy to be reviewed: 10.10.24

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Our governing body applies the regulations on admissions fairly and equally to all those who wish to attend this school. The School Standards and Framework Act 1998 introduced a new framework for school admissions as of September 2000. This was later revised in the Education Act of 2002. Our Admissions policy conforms to the regulations that are set out in that Act and are further explained in the statutory School Admissions Code of Practice and the statutory Appeals Code of Practice. These were revised in January 2003 and came into force in September 2004.

The Governing Body follows all general regulations and guidance with regard to admissions as issued by North Yorkshire L.E.A. Responsibility for making arrangements for admission and appeals rests with the L.E.A. <u>https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/school-admissions</u>

We seek to be an inclusive school, welcoming children from all backgrounds and abilities. All applications will be treated on merit, and in a sensitive manner. It is our wish for parents to find a place for their child at the school of their choice. However, this is not always possible, due to excess demand on the places available. A child's level of ability is irrelevant to this school's admissions policy, as are any special needs the child may have.

Legally children must begin statutory schooling after the term in which they become five years of age. However if parents wish children may begin to attend this school prior to that date. Children may be admitted to full time education in the September of the academic year in which they become five years old. Where needed a flexible arrangement will be planned by the school in consultation with the parents having regard to the maturity of the child and the numbers and composition of the Early Years class. It must be emphasised however that it will be entirely up to the individual parents as to whether they wish to take part in the early admission arrangements offered by the school.

All reception children will be offered the opportunity to take part in pre-school visits in the summer term of the academic year prior to that in which they become five.

At present the schools planned maximum admission number into the reception age group for September **2021** as set at the discretion of the governors is **8**. In the first instance places will be offered to pupils who live within the designated area of the school as defined by the L.E.A. After which children with siblings attending the school from outside the designated area will be admitted. Then distance from the school will become the next factor for consideration. All applications have to be made through the area office.

Very occasionally individual cases of special need, on social or medical grounds, for earlier admission (as approved by the L.E.A.) may be considered. These instances will be rare and will occur as the result of special arrangements negotiated between the L.E.A. and the Governing Body of the school.

If places allow children other than reception may be admitted at any time during the school year. Parents of such children from out of the catchment area will be advised to also visit their local school and to apply to the Harrogate Area Education Office if they wish to request admission to this school.

Admission will only be refused when it would prejudice the provision of efficient education and the efficient use of resources. Children with an EHCP naming this school will be admitted after consultation with the L.E.A.

All prospective parents and children are encouraged to visit the school to meet staff and pupils. Appointments to visit during the school day may be made through the administrator with the Headteacher, who will be able to discuss admission arrangements with parents.

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