

Earlview Primary School and Nursery
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Controlled Nursery Unit
Admissions No: 26 (Full-time)
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Respective Functions of the Board of Governors and the Principal in relation to admissions.

The Board of Governors will determine the Admissions Criteria. The criteria will be applied by the Principal on behalf of the Board of Governors.

Open Day: 6th January 2022

We are pleased to be able to welcome you into our school for our socially distanced school visit. To book please use the following link:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/earlview-primary-school-and-nursery-open-day-tickets-205516113227>

Alternatively, you can search for Earlview Primary School and Nursery on the Eventbrite website.

If booking through this website is problematic for you, please call 02890 342203 for support.

Admissions Criteria

A timetable of pre-school admissions procedures setting out the dates by which an application is to be submitted is available at www.eani.org.uk/admissions under 'Pre-School Admissions'. During the admissions procedure when applying the criteria punctual applications will be considered before late applications are considered.

The application procedure opens on 10 January 2022 at 12noon (GMT) and an application submitted by the closing date of 28 January 2022 at 12noon (GMT) will be treated as a punctual application. An application received after 12noon (GMT) on 28 January 2022 will be treated as a late application.

As the pre-school admissions procedure is in two stages the timetable also specifies the relevant dates at Stage 2 which will determine if an application is to be considered as punctual or late.

Children born between 2 July 2018 and 1 July 2019 (inclusive) will be selected before children born between 2 July 2019 to 1 July 2020 (inclusive) are considered.

In selecting children for admission, children resident in Northern Ireland at the time of their proposed admission will be selected for admission to school before any child not so resident.

Admissions criteria to be used in the event of the school being oversubscribed. The criteria are listed in order of priority.

Statutory Criteria

Children will be admitted according to the following statutory criteria:

1. Children from socially disadvantaged circumstances in their final pre-school year i.e. born between 2 July 2018 and 1 July 2019 (inclusive);
2. Children not falling within sub-paragraph (1) in their final pre-school year;

and who at the time of their proposed admission will not have a pre-school education place, whether full-time or part-time, at another school or any other premises.

Note: Children from 'socially disadvantaged circumstances' means a child whose parent is in receipt of (i) Income Support, or (ii) Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance, or (iii) an award of Income Support which has been converted into an Employment and Support Allowance and the level of benefit remains the same, or (iv) Universal Credit. When parents apply for places for their child on this basis they must provide Benefit Verification to confirm that they are in receipt of a qualifying payment. This should be provided to the Pre-School of first preference and the application procedure for Pre-School will outline how this can be submitted.

In the event of the enrolment number being exceeded on the application of a statutory criterion the sub-criteria set out below will be applied in the order indicated:-

Sub-criteria

- a. Children who have a *‘‘child of the family’’ currently attending Earlview Primary School (P1 – P7). Names and classes must be written onto the application form.
- b. Children who, at the time of application, have an older *‘‘child of the family’’ who has applied for a P1 place with Earlview Primary as their first preference. Names must be submitted on the application form.
- c. Children who are the only/oldest *‘‘child of the family’’ suitable for mainstream education in the family and are attending Earlview Nursery at the time of application.
- d. Children who are the only/oldest *‘‘child of the family’’ suitable for mainstream education.
- e. Remaining places will be selected on the basis of initial letter of surname (as entered on Birth Certificate) in the order set out below:

Q O N A T U D E X P H R Y V I C J L K G B S M F W Z

This order was determined by a randomised selection of the letters of the alphabet.

In the event of surnames beginning with the same initial letter the subsequent letters of the surname will be used in alphabetical order. In the event of two identical surnames the alphabetical order of the initial letter and subsequent letters of the forenames will be used.

When considering which children should be selected for admission, the Board of Governors will only take into account information which is detailed on or attached to the application form. Parents should therefore ensure that all information pertaining to their child and relevant to the school’s admissions criteria is stated on the application form or attached to it.

*The definition of ‘child of the family’ covers:

- a child born to a married couple;
- a child born to a co-habiting couple;
- a child or either of those people by a previous marriage or relationship;
- a child living with same sex partners whether there is a civil partnership under the Civil Partnership Act 2004 or not;
- an adopted or fostered child;
- a situation where, for example, a cousin is being brought up with a family.

Criteria for children not in their final pre-school year (Stage Two in Admissions Procedure)

- i. Children will be admitted in accordance with their date of birth. Oldest children will be given preference.
- ii. Remaining places will be selected on the basis of initial letter of surname (as entered on Birth Certificate) in the order set out below:

Q O N A T U D E X P H R Y V I C J L K G B S M F W Z

This order was determined by a randomised selection of the letters of the alphabet.

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In the case of a nursery place becoming available after the beginning of the school year, the admissions criteria will be applied.

Duty to Verify

The Board of Governors reserves the right to require such supplementary evidence as it may determine to support or verify information on any application form.

The provision of false or incorrect information or the failure to provide information within the deadlines set by pre-schools can result in the withdrawal of a place and the inability to offer a place on the part of any school nominated on the applicant’s application form.

Waiting List Policy

Should a vacancy arise after the Open Enrolment Admissions procedure concludes, all applications for admission to 2022-2023 that were initially refused, new applications, late applications and applications where new information has been provided, will be treated equally and published criteria applied. The waiting list will be in place until June 2023. The school will contact you if your child gains a place in the school by this method. Upon receiving a completed application (at any preference stage) your child's name will be automatically added to the list. Please contact the school if you wish your child's name to be removed from the list.