



1. Admissions Criteria

St John's Pre-School complies with its obligations under the Race Relations Act 1976, the Race Relations Act 1976 (Amendment) Regulations 2003, the Sex Discrimination Act 1986, the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 and the Disability Discrimination Act 1995 (as amended by the Special Educational Needs and Disability Act 2001,) The SEND code of practice 0-25 years, The Employment Act 2002 and The Children Act 1989 (Amendment) Regulations 2004.

St John's Pre-School is accessible to all children and families from the local community. We welcome children, parents/carers, other relatives, and people from all ethnic, religious and social groups, with and without disabilities to contribute to the life of pre-school. In consultation with parents/carers we will endeavour to accommodate all children's needs, being flexible enough to adapt to the changing needs of the child.

The 'Partnership Agreement' that exists between St John's Pre-School and St John's Church of England First School enables a close, consistent working relationship and therefore, enhances the child's transition into School. However, enrolment at the Pre-School does not secure a place at St John's First School.

St John's Pre-School has a catchment area which differs from St John's First School. A map of our catchment is available on request.

Criteria for Admission

ADMISSIONS ARE DETERMINED ON A TERM BY TERM BASIS. THE PLACES OFFERED WILL BE ADMINISTERED IN THE FOLLOWING ORDER:

- 1) Children 'Looked After' (in care) by the Local Authority**

- 2) Children living in the catchment area:**
 - a) In the academic year prior to attending school if they have a sibling*, who will already be attending St John's First School when they themselves are due to start school, in order of date of birth.
 - b) In the academic year prior to attending school if they do not have a sibling*, in order of date of birth.
 - c) Two academic years prior to attending school if they have a sibling* who will be already attending St John's First School when they themselves are due to start school, in order of date of birth
 - d) Two academic years prior to attending school if they do not have a sibling*, in order of date of birth.

- 3) Children living outside the catchment area:**
 - a) If they have a sibling*, who will already be attending St John's First School when they themselves are due to start school in order of date of birth.
 - b) Any remaining places, in order of date of birth.

*including children living as siblings in the same family unit.

Further Information

Admissions for a new academic year (starting in September) will be completed in the preceding April. Forty children will be given places.

Should remaining sessions be available (after the first forty places have been administered) these *may* be offered at the discretion of the Pre-School and will not necessarily follow the criteria outlined above.

Places that become available mid-term will be offered at the discretion of the preschool.

If a child is to leave our setting we respectfully ask parents to give us as much notice as possible.

Children in receipt of government funding:

Upon leaving our setting, the reasons for leaving must fit those stated on the government funding agreement. If they do not meet these criteria, we will apply to continue to claim funding for up to a 4 week period as set out in your terms and conditions.

Children who are fee paying

We request a minimum of 4 weeks notice. In the event of four weeks notice not being given we will continue to claim fees from parents until the space is filled or until the 4 week notice period has ended.

The Valuing Diversity and Promoting Equality Policy is available on the Parents' Table.

A copy of our prospectus and other useful information is available on request.

United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child

Article 28- Children have a right to an Education