

## **Duddon Saint Peter's CE School**



# **Admissions Policy**

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This policy covers admissions of children to the main school. Parents of potential pupils are welcome to visit the school by appointment and to see the children and staff at work. In accordance with LA policy children are admitted to school in September of each year. Children must be four before 31 August in the year of entry. Children are invited to join us for some afternoons during the term prior to their admission; this provides an opportunity for the child to meet the class teacher and other children.

There are eighteen places available at the Reception stage each year. Parental preferences are sought from the LA. As of September 2013, the school makes the decision to admit pupils from Year One to Year Six. The Governors have adopted the LA criteria for admissions:

- 1. Pupils for whom there are exceptional personal/domestic circumstances** presented by the parents which justify, in the Council's view, admission to a particular school.
- 2. Siblings** – pupils with elder brothers or sisters including half brothers and sisters and unrelated children living together as part of one household already attending the preferred school or in the case of an infant school, a partner junior school, and expected to continue at the school in the following school year.
- 3. Pupils resident within the designated catchment zone** of the school, together with pupils for whom advice from a medical practitioner or psychologist has been provided in support of admission to a particular school which, in the Council's view, justifies admission to the preferred school. The Council, if it is considered appropriate, will seek the views of the School Doctor or Educational Psychologist in the event of parents requesting admission on medical or psychological grounds.
- 4. Pupils living nearest to the school**, measured by straight line distance from the nearest available school gate to the pupil's home.

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