# Admissions criteria for entry September 2021

Randalstown Central Primary School 4 Church Road Randalstown BT41 3AJ **Controlled Primary School** 

Enrolment Number: 379 Admissions Number: 54

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**Primary School'** 

# RESPECTIVE FUNCTIONS OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS AND PRINCIPAL IN RELATION TO ADMISSIONS

The Board of Governors will consider admissions and adjudicate thereon when the school is over-subscribed. The Principal will deal with admissions where the school is not over-subscribed.

Children who have attended the Reception Class in the previous year are guaranteed a Primary One place and need not apply again.

When considering which children should be selected for admission, the Board of Governors will only take into account information which is detailed on the application or provided directly to the school. Parents/Guardians should therefore ensure that all information pertaining to their child and relevant to the school's admissions criteria is stated on the application or provided directly to the first preference school. Examples of such information include whether the child has brothers/sisters attending the school, or is the eldest child in the family.

### **ADMISSIONS CRITERIA**

During the admissions procedure when applying the criteria <u>punctual applications</u> will be considered before <u>late applications</u> are considered. The application procedure **opens on 7 January 2021 at 12 noon** (GMT) and an application submitted by the **closing date of 29 January 2021 at 12 noon** (GMT) will be treated as a <u>punctual application</u>. An application received after 12 noon (GMT) on 29 January 2021 will be treated as a <u>late application</u>. Children who are not of compulsory school age will only be selected for admission after all children of compulsory school age have been allocated a place.

In the event that the Admissions Number has not been reached, those children whose 4<sup>th</sup> birthday falls from the July of the application year and whose parents complete an application will be admitted.

In the event of the school being oversubscribed by the closing date for applications, then the admissions criteria to be used are listed below, in order of priority.

- 1. Priority will be given to children living in Northern Ireland at the time of their proposed admission to the school.
- 2. A child of compulsory school age.
- 3. A child with a sibling currently or formerly enrolled in the school.
- 4. A child who has a parent/guardian currently working in the school.
- A child for whom the school is the nearest suitable school. Distance to be measured by public road/footpath.
- 6. The distance from the child's home to school as measured by Google Maps. Priority is given to those living closest to the school.

### **DUTY TO VERIFY**

Applicants should note that they may be required to produce documents verifying their address.

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### **WAITING LIST POLICY**

The above admissions criteria (1-5) also apply to children admitted to Year 1 after the beginning of the school year.

### **ADMISSION TO P2 - P7**

The admissions criteria for P2 – P7 are listed below, in order of priority.

- 1. Priority will be given to children living in Northern Ireland at the time of their proposed admission to the school.
- 2. A pupil/pupils will be considered for acceptance/enrolment at any time throughout the school year, provided that the enrolment will not cause the school to exceed its enrolment number.
- 3. If any admission, in the opinion of Board of Governors, would prejudice the provision of efficient education in the school, then any such admission would be refused.
- 4. A child with a sibling currently or formerly enrolled in the school.
- 5. A child who has a parent/guardian currently working in the school.
- 6. In the case of fewer places existing within the school than the number of pupils applying for admission at any time, a child for whom the school is the nearest suitable school. Distance to be measured by public road/footpath.

Applications and Admissions to Primary 1		
Year	Total Applications	Total Admissions
2018/2019	26	26
2019/2020	29	29
2020/2021	29	29