



Temple Herdewyke Primary School and Nursery

An Academy School within Stowe Valley Multi Academy Trust

Admissions Policy

Introduction

Stowe Valley Multi Academy Trust, as the admissions authority for Temple Herdewyke Primary School and Nursery, applies the law fairly and equally to all who wish to attend this school. This policy conforms to the School Standards and Framework Act 1998 and School Admissions (Admission Arrangements and Co-ordination of Admission Arrangements) Regulations 2012. It also complies with the statutory School Admissions Code and the statutory Admission Appeals Code.

Aims and Objectives

We are an inclusive school that welcomes children from all backgrounds and abilities.

All applications will be treated on merit and in a sensitive manner.

The only restriction we place on entry is that of number. If the number of children applying for entry exceeds the places available, we enforce the procedure set out below in order to determine whether a child is accepted or not. It is our wish to allow parents the right to have a place at the school of their choice. However, this is not always possible, due to the excess demand on the school places available.

The level of ability of a child or any special needs that s/he may have plays no part in the admissions policy of this school.

How parents can apply for their child to be admitted to our school

Stowe Valley Multi Academy Trust is the Admissions Authority for our school, and publishes the oversubscription criteria for applications to the school on an annual basis. Warwickshire County Council administers the admissions arrangements for the school on behalf of Stowe Valley Multi Academy Trust.

Warwickshire County Council publishes a composite admissions prospectus each year, which gives information about how parents can apply for a place in the school of their choice. Parents have a right to express a preference for the school of their choice and they should do so on the application form. Expressing a preference does not, in itself, guarantee a place at this school. Application forms can be

obtained from the Admissions department of the County Council. The school notifies parents about the school place as soon as all the applications have been considered.

Children are entitled to a school place from the beginning of the academic year they become five, and must be in education from the beginning of the school term which starts after their fifth birthday. Parents who would like their child to be admitted to this school during the year their child is five should ensure that they complete the necessary application form by the deadline stipulated by the local authority.

Admission Appeals

If we do not offer a child a place at this school, it is because to do so would prejudice the education of other children by allowing too many children into the school.

If parents wish to appeal against a decision to refuse entry, they can do so by applying to the County Council, which administers appeals on behalf of Stowe Valley Multi Academy Trust. An independent appeals panel then meets to consider all appeals by parents who have been refused a place at our school and who wish to appeal against this decision. An appeals panel's decision is binding for all parties concerned. If the appeals panel decides that we should admit a child to our school, we will accept this and continue to do all we can to provide the best education for all the children at our school. (Details of appeal arrangements are set out in the Admission Appeals Code)

The Published Admissions Number

The Published Admission Number (PAN) is the number of children the school can accommodate in each school year. The PAN for our school is 15. We keep this number under review and Stowe Valley Multi Academy Trust will consider increasing this number if circumstances allow.

Infant Class Size

The law requires that infant children (those in Reception, Year One and Year Two) in classes that have a maximum number of 30 children, unless the child qualifies as an 'excepted child' (see School Admissions Code for more details).

Nursery Admissions

The nursery is governed by the school but is not an LA maintained nursery, it is self-funding. Please see the separate nursery admissions policy.

Review

This policy will be reviewed annually by the Admissions Authority in the light of any changed circumstances in our school or the local area.

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