

Admissions Policy

2015-2016



ADMISSIONS

Eldon Grove Academy is a co-educational primary school for boys and girls between the ages of 3 and 11. We have a standard admission number of 60. Eldon Grove Academy follows the Local Authority Admissions criteria and code of practice.

NURSERY

Children are admitted into nursery on a part time basis; a child is offered either a place for 5 mornings or 5 afternoons and there is also an opportunity to access a flexible place e.g. 2 ¹/₂ days. Admissions is usually in the September or January following the child's 3rd birthday. A place in our nursery **does not** guarantee the child a place in school.

Children are admitted into the main school as outlined below:

In the first instance, places will be awarded to those pupils with a statement of special educational needs where the school is named in the statement.

The remaining places will be awarded in the following order or priority and in line with the Local Authority admissions criteria:

- 1. Those children who are looked after children and previously looked after children (previously looked after children are children who were looked after, but ceased to be so because they were adopted or became subject to a residence order or special guardianship order)
- 2. Those children who have brothers or sisters who will be attending the school in the following September. Pupils who will have brothers and/or sisters attending the school the following September.
- 3. Pupils who live in the schools admission zone.
- 4. Those children who are distinguished from the great majority of other applicants whether on medical grounds or by other exceptional circumstances and who would suffer significant hardship if they were unable to attend the school
- 5. Those children who live closest to the school as determined by a 'straight line' distance measurement; from the (ordnance survey) address point for the child's home to the (ordnance survey) address point of the school.

TIEBREAKER

If more children qualify under a particular criterion than there are places available, priority will be given to those children who live closest to the school (as described under criteria 5)

If you are not successful in obtaining a place for your child at Eldon Grove Academy you have a statutory right of appeal. Full information on the appeals procedure is available from the Local Authority's School Admission Team.

Parents who wish their child to transfer to Eldon Grove Academy from another school at anytime other than the beginning of the first year of primary school (Reception) should contact the School Admissions Team at the Local Authority.