



Founded in 1810 by Rev. John Poole

Enmore Church of England Primary School

Admissions Arrangements For 2011 year of entry and 2010- 2011 in year admissions

As our school is a Church of England Foundation school, the Governing Body determines the admission arrangements in consultation with the Diocese and the Local Authority (LA). The Governing Body is the 'Admissions Authority' for our school.

Every child has a statutory right to be enrolled as a pupil at the school providing there is a place available. This is regardless of ability or aptitude. All parents are encouraged to visit the school prior to making any decision in regard to their child's education.

The school will be required to admit a child with a statement of Special Educational Needs if the statement names the school.

Admission of Pupils- First time Admissions to year R

First time admission applications should be sent to the LA using the Common Application Form, available electronically and in paper form. The school follows the LA's timetable for applications, guidelines for late applications and the offer of places.

The national submission date for 2011 places is 15th January.

Pupils will be admitted in the September during the school year in which they attain the age of 5.

The school follows LA guidelines regarding deferred and delayed entry.

The School's Published Admission Number is 21 and it is proposed to retain this number. This is the number of places available. Places will be ranked and allocated in strict priority order up to the published admission number using the following admissions criteria:

1. Children in Care (currently in the care of the LA)
2. Children without a statement of Special Education Needs (SEN) whose school placement has been identified by a multi- agency professional team, and can be supported by written evidence at the time of application;
3. Children who currently reside in the ecclesiastical parishes of Enmore or Goathurst;
4. Children living within the Local Authority (LA) catchment area for the school with a sibling (living at the same address) attending the school at the time the child will start school;
5. Children living within the Local Authority (LA) catchment area for the school;

6. Children not living within the Local Authority (LA) catchment area for the school with a sibling (living at the same address) attending the school at the time the child will start school
7. Any further places will be decided by proximity of the child's home to the school, as measured by the shortest distance, using the Local Authority GIS system if necessary.

First preference applications do not take precedence over second. In line with the LA policy, the school will exceed the admission number in order to avoid splitting siblings of multiple births unless this would cause the infant class size limit to be breached.

In any 'tie breaker' situation places will be decided by straight line distance. If straight line distance is identical, for example when dealing with applications from flats, a lottery may be necessary.

Definition of Terms:

The school follows the LA's glossary of terms as laid down in the LA Composite Prospectus e.g. sibling, home address, parent

Maps

Maps of LA catchment and ecclesiastical parishes are available from the school office.

Admission of Pupils at Other Times i.e. in year Applications

Parents are encouraged to visit the school prior to applying for a place.

From September 2010, all in year admissions will be coordinated by the LA. All requests for school places should be made directly to the LA's School Admission Team, using the Common Application Form (CAF). The CAF is available on the website www.somerset.gov.uk or by calling Customer Contact on 0845 456038 or by writing to:

School Admissions Team
Children and Young People's Directorate
County Hall
Taunton
Somerset
TA1 4DY

The School Admissions Team will inform the Governing Body of the school of all applications for places. The Governing Body will then determine whether a place can be offered.

Pupils applying for places at other times will be admitted if:

- a) The year group admission number has not been reached, and
- b) The sum of three consecutive year groups does not exceed 64 children. (This does not effect First Time Admissions.)

If multiple applications are received at the same time i.e. on the same day, the first time admission over-subscription criteria and, if necessary, tie- breaker procedure will be used to allocate places.

The school does not operate waiting lists.

Appeals

In the event that the school is unable to offer a place for your child you can appeal against that decision. Your appeal should be presented in writing to the Chairman of the School Governors. An Appeals committee comprising of independent members will consider the appeal and make an appropriate independent judgement. The committee will invite you to discuss the matter with them before a decision is made. You may be accompanied by a friend or request someone to represent you.

When a judgement has been reached by the Appeals Committee, you will be informed in writing of their decision.

Full details of the appeals procedure can be found in the Appeals Code of Practice.