

ST MARGARET'S AT TROY TOWN CHURCH OF ENGLAND (VC) PRIMARY SCHOOL

GUIDANCE ON ADMISSIONS TO FOUNDATION STAGE NURSERY CLASS 2014-2015



- Nursery application forms will be available to any parent on request.
- Decisions about admissions will be taken by the Headteacher.
- Applications for all eligible children (i.e. of three years old) will be considered *at this time*.
- Parents will be informed of the outcome of their application in the term prior to being admitted.

It should be noted that **admission to the school nursery class DOES NOT constitute admission to the primary school**, nor does attendance at the nursery class give priority to admission to the primary school. (*However, as the admission criteria for the nursery class is the same as that of the primary school, the large majority of children should be able to be admitted.*)

Over-subscription Criteria

If there are more children than places available, priority will be given in line with the criteria used for determining admission to the primary school.

1. **Children in public care**
2. **Current family association** (a brother or sister in the primary school, at the time of entry)
3. **Denominational grounds** (if you would prefer your child to be educated in a Church School)
4. **Child's health reasons** (for which a medical certificate may be needed)
5. **Nearness of children's homes and ease of access** (with places offered to those living closest to the school by the shortest available walking route)

Home address

It is at the discretion of the Headteacher to determine whether a child cared for by a relative or registered childminder should be admitted on the basis of the carer's home address. However, it must be noted that for admission to the primary school the address used must be the child's normal place of residence. (This may lead to children having to leave the Foundation Stage Nursery Class at the end of the first academic year.)

Appeals process

There is no statutory right of appeal against a decision with regard to admission to a nursery class.

Parents wishing to object to a decision concerning their application should in the first instance put their concerns to the Headteacher.

Advice and guidance

Schools and parents may contact the early years and childcare service for advice and guidance on any aspect of nursery education – **01634 335566**