

ADMISSIONS

Introduction

Brading School's Governing body applies the Local Authority regulations on admissions fairly and equally to all those who wish to attend the School.

The School Standards and Framework Act 1998 introduced a new framework for school admissions as of September 2000. This policy conforms to the regulations that are set out in that Act and also further explained in the statutory School Admissions Code of Practice and the statutory Appeals Code of Practice.

Aims and objectives

We are an inclusive school that welcomes children from all backgrounds and abilities. The only restriction placed on entry by the LA is that of number. It is our wish to allow parents the right to have a place at this school; however this is not always possible, due to restrictions on pupil numbers for each year group. Applications are made directly to the LA. The level of ability of a child or any special needs that they may have plays no part in the admissions policy of this school. The school has a Christian foundation, but factors such as church attendance play no part in the admissions process.

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

As our school is a Voluntary Controlled school, the school determines the admission arrangements in agreement with the LA. The LA is therefore the 'Admissions Authority' for our school. The regulations for entry to each school, where the Admissions Authority is the LA, are published each year by the LA. Parents can receive a copy of these regulations directly from the LA. The LA 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 Education Department of the LA and should be completed by the date stipulated on the forms and returned to the LA. The LA notifies parents about the school place as soon as all the applications have been considered. For admissions during the school year, parents seeking a school place should contact Eliza Hughes, school administrator on 01983 407217 or email admin@bradingcepri.iow.sch.uk.

School Admissions at County Hall

In this area, children enter school in the academic year they become five. There is one admissions date per year, early in September). Therefore 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 stated date of the previous school year to register their child. Once registered with the school it is possible however to vary the date of actual admission according to need and in agreement with our on-site Pre-School.

Admission appeals

If a child is not offered a place at this school, it is because to do so would prejudice the education of other children by allowing the numbers of children in the school to increase in an uncontrolled manner. If parents wish to appeal against a decision to refuse entry, they can do so by applying to the LA. 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 appeal panel's decision is binding for all parties concerned. If the appeal panel decides that we should admit a child to our school, then this decision will be accepted by the school and adjustments made accordingly. (Details of appeal arrangements are set out in the Code of Practice on School Admissions Appeals, which came into force in September 1999)

The standard number

The standard number is the number of children the school can accommodate. Our standard number is currently 20 per year group. This number is kept under review by both the Local authority and the governors who can apply to change the number if circumstances allow.

For more information on Admissions please go to:

<https://www.iwight.com/Residents/Schools-and-Learning/School-Admissions/Admissions-Policies>