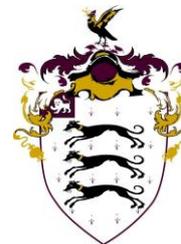


# SIR JOHN MOORE C.E. (A) PRIMARY SCHOOL



## ADMISSIONS POLICY - SCHOOL YEAR 2018/2019

Sir John Moore School recognises the right of parents to express a preference for the school they would like their child(ren) to attend.

The Governing Body, which is responsible for admissions to this Church of England Voluntary Aided Primary School, have agreed with the Local Education Authority to admit 20 pupils to each year group. These arrangements and the admission criteria, listed below, are agreed annually.

The Governing Body will admit Statemented Children whose statement indicates Sir John Moore Primary as the named school.

Governors will endeavour to admit children of parents living in the catchment area (Appleby Magna, Appleby Parva and Stretton-en-le-Fields) and the parishes listed in the historic Trust Deed (Chilcote, Measham, Snarestone and Swepstone)

In the event of over subscription (i.e. more applicants than available places) children will be admitted according to the following criteria, which are listed in order of priority.

1. Children who are 'looked after' (i.e. in the care of the local authority pursuant to Section 31, 3c of the Children Act 1989 or children accommodated by a local authority pursuant to Section 20 of the Children Act 1989) or were previously looked after children. (*Previously looked after children are children who were looked after, but ceases to be so because they were adopted (or become subject to a residence order or special guardianship order.)*)
2. Children of parents living in the parishes of Appleby Magna, Appleby Parva and Stretton-en-le-Fields. Children who live with different parents at different addresses during the week should be living in the catchment area for 50% of the time.
3. Children of parents who already have a son or daughter attending the school, including step-siblings, half-siblings, and adopted or fostered siblings and who will be attending the school on the date of admission.
4. Children of parents who are regular worshippers in the Anglican churches of the Appleby Group. A letter from their minister should accompany this application.
5. Children whose parents are regular worshippers of another Anglican churches or Christian denomination as defined by Churches Together in Leicestershire. A letter from their minister should accompany this application.
6. Children of parents who are practising members of other faiths, and desire them to attend this school because of its religious tradition. Applicants will need a letter of support from their priest or religious leader.
7. Children with documented acute medical or social needs who, in the view of the governors, would benefit from a place at the school. It is essential that parents provide the Governors with documentation to support their application including a letter from their GP or Social Worker. Parents should be aware that they need to set out clearly why the school in question is appropriate and the difficulties that the child would experience if they were required to attend another school.
8. Children of parents living in the parishes of Chilcote, Measham, Swepstone and Snarestone as defined in the historic Trust Deed. Children who live with different parents at different addresses during the week should be living in the catchment area for 50% of the time.

### Tie breaker.

Should it be necessary to operate a tie breaker for children who fulfil the same criteria, the child whose residence is closest to the school will be awarded the place. Measurement of distance is in a straight line from the point that the home property's front entrance meets a public highway to the school's main designated front gate, using a computerised mapping system. In very few cases it may not be possible to decide between the applicants of those pupils who are the final qualifiers for a place (e.g. children who live at the same address [flats] or have the same distance measurement). If there is no other way of separating the applicants and if to admit both or all of the children would cause the legal limit to be exceeded, then the child (or children) who will be offered the place(s) will be randomly selected by drawing lots.

### Mid term admissions.

Where a child arrives at school mid-term and takes up residence within the catchment area of the school, Appleby Magna, Appleby Parva and Stretton-en-le-Fields, the Governors will consider admitting the child, even if the admission limit has been exceeded. This will not apply if the admission takes the class sizes in key stage 1 over the 30 pupil per class limit.

### Applications

A completed application form should be returned to Leicestershire County Council, Admissions Service by 15<sup>th</sup> January 2018 for admissions in the school year 2018/2019. An additional school application form is required to be submitted to the school. Notification of admissions will be circulated to parents by 16<sup>th</sup> April 2018. Parents can also apply online to the LA at [www.leics.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.leics.gov.uk/admissions). In the event of a child not being offered a place, parents have the right of appeal, made in writing to the Diocesan Board of Education.

Children are admitted in the September after their 4<sup>th</sup> birthday. The school operates a four plus system with a graduated induction programme, in line with schools within the Ibstock family of schools.

Parents seeking a place for their child(ren) are invited to contact the headteacher to discuss the child's needs and the aims, philosophy and expectations of the school. Such interviews do not affect a child's chance of admission. The LA now encourages parents to apply no more than 1 year in advance of the admission date. All admissions are considered at the same time for the coming year by adhering to the above criteria.

Governors will review the policy every year