



## Admissions

### **Determined admission arrangements for St. Paul's with St. Michael's Primary School 2020/21**

The Governors, who are responsible for the admissions to this Church of England Voluntary Aided School, have agreed with the Local Education Authority to admit 30 pupils for each year group (plus up to 25 full-time or part-time places in the nursery). This number has been agreed between the Governors and The Learning Trust and applies to the school year. The school does not have any specific units or facilities for pupils with particular special needs and there are no specific facilities for pupils with physical disabilities.

There are four buildings. The Nursery, Reception and Infant building are on a level site and on one floor but the Junior building is on two floors with a basement area. As far as possible the school will ensure that pupils with disabilities have access to the same opportunities as other pupils.

These arrangements and the admissions criteria (below) are reviewed annually. Each application should be supported by the relevant documentary evidence. When there are more applications than there are places available the Governors will admit pupils according to the following criteria, which are listed in order of priority. These criteria will be applied in accordance with the school's duties under the Disability Discrimination Act.

1. Looked after children and children who have been adopted (or made subject to child arrangement orders or special guardianship orders) immediately following having been looked after.
2. Children subject to a child protection plan.
3. Children of parents, who are on the church electoral roll of St. Michael and All Angels, London Fields, or the children of parents who are prohibited from membership of the church electoral roll (because of their role in the Church of England, i.e. clergy), who can demonstrate that they are regular worshippers at St. Michael and All Angels, London Fields.
4. \*\* Children who are attending St Paul's with St Michael's Nursery.
5. \*\*\* Children who have a brother or sister at the school at the time of their proposed entry.

#### **i.e. on the day the child is entering the school, not when applying for entry.**

6. Children of parents who are practising members of a Christian denomination\*, who live in the Parish of St. Michael and All Angels, London Fields.
7. Children of parents who live in the Parish of St Michael and All Angels, London Fields, but who are not practising members of a Christian denomination, with priority given to those who live nearest to the school, as measured by a straight line.
8. Children of parents who are practising\*\*\*\* members of a Christian denomination\*, who live outside the Parish of St Michael and All Angels London Fields, for whom this is the nearest Church of England school.

Information about which streets and residences are included in the Parish of St Michael and All Angels London Fields can be found from the **Church Finder** section of the Diocesan website: <http://www.london.anglican.org/ChurchFinder>. Alternatively, applicants can enter their postcode to discover whether they live in the parish.

9. Any other applicant.

The decision on admissions rests with the Governors of St Paul's with St Michael's C of E Primary School. Parents who are unsuccessful in gaining admission have the right of appeal, with the exception of the Nursery, which is non-statutory.

Appeals should be addressed to the Clerk of the Governors at the school office.

\* As defined by the 'Churches together in Britain and Ireland' and the 'Evangelical Alliance'

\*\* This criterion is applicable on admission to the Reception class and above.

\*\*\* This includes half brothers and sisters, step brothers and sisters, and foster brother and sisters who live at the same address.

\*\*\*\* Definition of 'practising': attending Church at least once a month for a year or more.

In the case of over-subscription in criteria 5 or 7, a tie break of distance from the school will be applied.

If only one place is available for more than one child, who are twins or of a multiple birth within the same family, the Governing Body will establish if the school is able to admit above numbers. If this is not possible the allocation of the place will be determined by lottery which will be carried out by the Admissions Committee in the presence of an independent witness".

If two applicants live exactly the same distance the allocation of the place will be determined by lottery which will be carried out by the Admissions Committee in the presence of an independent witness.

### ***In-Year Admissions***

*Applications for In-Year admissions are made in the same way as those made during the normal admissions round. If a place is available and there is no waiting list then the governing body will admit the child. If more applications are received than there are places available then applications will be ranked by the governing body in accordance with the oversubscription criteria. If a place cannot be offered at this time then you may ask us for the reasons and you will be informed of your right of appeal. You will be offered the opportunity of being placed on a waiting list. This waiting list will be maintained by the governing body in the order of the oversubscription criteria [as modified above] and not in the order in which the applications are received. Names are removed from the list at the end of each academic year. When a place becomes available the governing body will decide who is at the top of the list so that the LEA can inform the parent that the school is making an offer.*

### **Admission of Children outside the normal age group**

Parents seeking a place for their child outside the normal age group for the reception class or at any other time of the school year (In-Year transfer) and wish this to continue, should read the guidance on out of normal age group admissions in the “hackney’s primary schools” Admissions Guide for Parents. The booklet is available at [www.learningtrust.co.uk](http://www.learningtrust.co.uk) . Please note: such requests will only be agreed in very exceptional circumstances.

**For further information regarding schools admissions please contact the local authority 0208 820 7245 / 0208 820 7401 or at:**

***<https://www.learningtrust.co.uk/admissions/Pages/PrimaryAdmissions.aspx>***