



WALSH

M E M O R I A L

C.E. (Controlled)

I n f a n t S c h o o l

ADMISSIONS POLICY

DATE FOR REVIEW: NOVEMBER 2021



Walsh Memorial CE Infant School



The School aims to serve its community by providing an education of the highest quality within the context of Christian belief and practice. It encourages an understanding of the meaning and significance of faith, and promotes Christian values through the experience it offers to all its pupils.

Admissions Policy

The community and voluntary controlled infant and primary schools in Surrey have a single intake into Reception. All children whose date of birth falls between 1 September 2016 and 31 August 2017 will be eligible to apply for a full time place in Reception at a Surrey school for September 2021. Applicants can defer their child's entry to Reception until later in the school year, but this will not be agreed beyond the beginning of the term after the child's fifth birthday, nor beyond the beginning of the final term of the academic year for which the offer was made. Applicants may also arrange for their child to start part time until their child reaches statutory school age.

At Walsh Memorial we accept children at the beginning of the school year in which they have their fifth birthday. Children who turn five during the autumn term will attend full time from September. Spring and summer born children are also offered full time school after induction. Any parent wishing to defer entry must make an appointment with the Headteacher to discuss their plans.

The admissions authority for Walsh Memorial C.E. Infants is the Local Education Authority. When a Voluntary Controlled School is oversubscribed the following admissions criteria are used to allocate places:

Admission arrangements for Surrey County Council's community and voluntary controlled schools 2020/2021

Admission criteria for schools in Surrey

In order of priority:-

1. Looked after and previously looked after children
2. Exceptional social/medical need.
3. Children of permanent members of staff where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the application for admission to the school is made; and/or the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage.
4. Children who will have a sibling at the school or at Walsh Junior school which operates shared sibling priority on the date of admission

5. Children for whom the school is the nearest to their home address as measured by straight line - the nearest school will be the school closest to the home address that has a Published Admission Number to admit pupils to the appropriate age range and which admits local children. The nearest school may be either inside or outside the county boundary.

6. Any other children prioritised according to the distance they live from the school.

https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/_data/assets/pdf_file/0016/205009/FINAL-GUILDFORD-Primary-Information-2021-22-V1.pdf

For further information please visit:-

www.surreycc.gov.uk/admissions

Waiting lists

Where there are more children than places available, waiting lists will operate for each year group according to the oversubscription criteria for each school without regard to the date the application was received or when a child's name was added to the waiting list.

Waiting lists for each year group at each community and voluntary controlled school will be maintained until 31 July 2021 when they will be cancelled.

Applicants who wish a child to go on the waiting list for the 2021/22 academic year must apply for in-year admission through Surrey County Council. Fully completed applications received during July 2021 will be used to reform the waiting list during August 2021. Applications received after the end of July 2021 will be added to the waiting list as soon as they have been processed.

In-year admissions

The following applications will be treated as in-year admissions during 2020-2021:

- applications for admission to Reception which are received after 1 September 2020;
- for any school which has a published admission number (PAN) for Year 3, applications for admission to Year 3 which are received after 1 September 2020;
- applications for admission to Year 7 which are received after 1 September 2020;
- all other applications for admission to Years 1 to 6 and 8 to 11.

Applications for Surrey's community and voluntary controlled schools must be made to the local authority on Surrey's common application form. Where there are more applications than places available, each application will be ranked in accordance with the published oversubscription criteria for each school.