

North Worcester Primary Academy Pre-School Admissions Policy

Aim

It is our intention to make our Pre-School accessible to children and families from all sections of the local community through open, fair and clearly communicated procedures.

Methods

We will operate the following admissions policy:

- The Pre-School is widely advertised in places accessible to all sections of the community.
- We ensure that information about our Pre-School is accessible.
- We arrange our waiting list in order of receipt of application.
- Children of families who owe money to Pre-School will only be offered Universal 15 funded hours ('free' offer), and not the Extended Entitlement.
- We describe our Pre-School and its practices in terms which make it clear that it welcomes fathers and mothers, other relations and other carers, including childminders.
- We describe our Pre-School and its practices in terms of how it treats individuals regardless of their gender, special educational needs, disabilities, background, religion, ethnicity or competence in spoken English.
- We describe our Pre-School and its practices in terms of how it enables children with disabilities to take part in the life of the preschool.
- We make our equal opportunities policy widely known.
- Admission to North Worcester Primary Academy's Pre-School does not give any advantage or disadvantage to applications to North Worcester Primary Academy primary school.
- We are flexible about attendance patterns within our offered sessions to accommodate the needs of individual children and families.
- We prefer our Pre-School children to wear the primary school uniform. We find that this enables a feeling of inclusiveness with the wider school, as well as forming part of the transition into primary school. This is not a mandatory requirement.
- When Pre-School receives more applications for places than there are places available, we will operate a waiting list. This will be maintained by the school and it will be open to any parent to ask for his or her child's name to be placed on the waiting list, following an unsuccessful application. Children's position on the waiting list will be determined solely in accordance with the date of their application. Where places become vacant they will be allocated to children on the waiting list in accordance with the date of application.

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