



**LONG DITTON**  
INFANT AND NURSERY SCHOOL  
THE HEART OF LONG DITTON SINCE 1911

## **ADMISSIONS POLICY MAIN SCHOOL**

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When the Main School is over-subscribed, the following priorities are adopted in allocating places in accordance with the Surrey Local Education Authority Admission Policy.

### **PRIORITIES**

#### **First priority: Looked after and previously looked after children**

Within the admission arrangements for all Community and Voluntary Controlled schools looked after and previously looked after children will receive the top priority for a place.

Looked after and previously looked after children will be considered to be:

- children who are registered as being in the care of a Local Authority in accordance with Section 22 of the Children Act 1989(a), e.g. fostered or living in a children's home at the time an application for a school is made; and
- children who have left care through adoption (in accordance with Section 46 of the Adoption and Children Act 2002), a residence order (in accordance with Section 8 of the Children Act 1989) or special guardianship order (in accordance with Section 14A of the Children Act 1989).

Places will be allocated under this criterion when places are first offered at a school and the Local Authority may also ask schools to admit over their Published Admission Number at other times under this criterion.

#### **Second priority: Exceptional social/medical need**

Occasionally there will be a very small number of children for whom exceptional social or medical circumstances will apply which will warrant a placement at a particular school.

Supporting evidence from a professional is required such as a doctor and/or consultant for medical cases or a social worker, health visitor, housing officer, the police or probation officer for other

social circumstances. This evidence must confirm the circumstances of the case and must set out why the child should attend a particular school and why no other school could meet the child's needs.

Providing evidence does not guarantee that a child will be given priority at a particular school and in each case a decision will be made based on the merits of the case and whether the evidence demonstrates that a placement should be made at one particular school above any other. Places may be allocated under this criterion when places are first offered at a school and the Local Authority may also ask schools to admit over their Published Admission Number at other times under this criterion.

**Third Priority:** Children with older siblings attending this school at the time of the younger sibling's admission.

**Fourth Priority:** Children resident within the admission priority area (not fixed unless the number of applications exceeds the number of places available).

### **SCHOOL ADMISSION INFORMATION**

The published admission number for this school is 60.

All reception children are admitted full-time in September.