

## WINWICK CE PRIMARY SCHOOL – ADMISSIONS POLICY 2014-15

Admissions to school are the responsibility of the Governing Body. As a Church Aided School, RE, collective worship and the whole ethos of the school are based on the teaching of the Church of England.

The admission limit for the school is currently 30.

### Order of Priority for Admissions

1. Children in care or children formerly in care.<sup>①</sup>
2. Children with an exceptional medical/social need where admission to the school might help them satisfy that need<sup>②</sup>
3. Children whose parents attend worship at St. Oswald's Church Winwick on a regular<sup>③</sup> basis
4. Children who have a sibling who will be still attending the school at the time of admission.
5. Children whose parents attend another Christian<sup>④</sup> Church on a regular basis and are resident within the parish of St Oswald's Winwick.
6. Any other child who does not appear in any of the above categories.

<sup>①</sup> This includes any "looked after child" and any children formerly in care who have ceased to be so because they have been adopted or become subject to a residence order or special guardianship order.

<sup>②</sup> Applicants in this category will need to complete the Medical/Social reference form or be supported by a letter from an appropriate professional.

<sup>③</sup> regular basis is deemed to be one Sunday a month for at least a year. Applicants will be required to get the member of clergy to complete the Clergy Reference Form.

<sup>④</sup> Christian Church belonging or affiliated to CTBI.

Where it is necessary to prioritise within one of the criteria referred to above, priority will be given to pupils living nearest to the school, defined "as the crow flies" from the front door of the child's permanent place of residence to the main gates to the school as measured by Warrington local authority.

'Resident' refers to the parents' **permanent** address at the proposed date of admission.

'Siblings' means older brothers and sisters already attending the school and expected to continue at the school in the following year. This includes full, half or step brothers and sisters and foster brothers and sisters who are living at the same address as part of the same family unit. The school admission code 2012 allows additional children to be admitted above the published admission number under very limited exceptional circumstances even when this breaches the infant class size limit. Twins and children from multiple births may exceptionally be offered a place / places when one of the siblings is the 30<sup>th</sup> child admitted.

Parents can request that the date their child is admitted to school is deferred until later in that academic year or until the term in which the child reaches compulsory school age. Parents can request that their child takes up the place part-time until the child reaches compulsory school age.

If parents are unsuccessful in obtaining a place, then they can appeal to an independent committee. A letter informing parents of an unsuccessful application will inform them of this right.

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NB. The changes highlighted in blue font are statutory requirements of the new admissions code and admission regulations which apply to **all** admission authorities.