

Walton CEVC Primary School



School Admissions

If you are interested in applying for a school place for your child, we highly recommend you arrange to visit our school - the Headteacher will be very happy to arrange an appointment to show you around the school. Somerset County Council is the admissions authority for our school. The school has an admission number of 21 in each year group; however year groups do vary in size. Our school follows the Somerset Fair Access Protocol for admissions.

Admission to Foundation Stage: If your child is of pre-school age, and registered with a local GP, you will be contacted by the Local Authority Admissions Team a year before your child is due to start school.

Pupils start in the Foundation Stage class at the beginning of the academic year in which they have their 5th birthday. Places are allocated and parents are informed of the outcome of applications in April. There is then a period for parents to appeal against any decisions made, should they not be offered a place at the school.

Admissions to Year 1 to Year 6: Please contact the school directly to find out if there is a place available. Application forms can be obtained from the school office for in-year applications. Please arrange an appointment to visit the school prior to applying for a place.

Waiting list: The local authority now operates a waiting list for school applications. Where an application has been refused in any year group, the child will be placed on a waiting list. This will be kept strictly in order of over-subscription criteria by the Local Authority, as the Admission Authority, and the child will remain on the waiting list until the end of the academic year in which the application was refused. Parents are responsible for informing the Admission Authority of any changes in their circumstances, which could affect their place on the waiting list.

Further Information on Admissions: Full details on how to apply can be found at www.somerset.gov.uk/admissions. This site carries up-to-date information for parents with children starting school in Somerset or transferring to a school in Somerset. Their site also provides general information about school admission appeals, class sizes in Somerset and catchments.

You can telephone the Admissions and Entitlement Team on 0300 123 2224 for advice. Their telephone lines are open between 8.00 am and 6.00 pm on Mondays, Tuesday to Friday 8.30 am to 5.30 pm and closed on Saturdays and Sundays. They can also be contacted by e-mail at admissions@somerset.gov.uk or you can write to them at the Admissions and Entitlement Team, County Hall, Taunton, Somerset, TA1 4DY.