

ADMISSIONS POLICY 2010-2011

- 1.1 The aim of the Admissions Policy at Llangrove CE Primary School is to be clear, objective and fair and to be in line with the Admissions Code published by the Dfes 2007 and the guidance entitled 'Distinctive and Inclusive' published by the National Society 2007. We aim to ensure that every child has an equal opportunity to achieve their full potential.
- 1.2 At Llangrove CE Primary School we offer for every child who has applied for a place at the school, where there are places, a place without condition or the use of any criteria.
- 1.3 The current school admission limit is 12 per year group, with the requirement for Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1 classes to have no more than 30 pupils. Children in Reception are admitted in September. Parents/carers are requested to register their children in advance.
- 1.4 Following guidance as outlined under section 324 of the Education Act 1996 we admit to the school children with a statement of special educational needs that has named our school, this is not an oversubscription criterion.
- 1.5 The criteria for the admission of children to the school to be applied in the event of over-subscription, is in the following order of priority:
 1. Pupils in the 'Looked After' system and children who are adopted, where the approved agencies, in consultation with the Governors, agree that the school is the most appropriate to meet the child's needs.
 2. Pupils whose principal address is within the catchment area of the school as defined by the LA and who have a sibling in school at the time of entry.

3. Pupils whose principal address is within the catchment area of the school as defined by the LA and who request a Church place supported by the appropriate Vicar/Rector/Minister. Faith in this context is defined as being adherent to the Christian Trinity.
4. Pupils whose principal address is within the catchment area of the school as defined by the LA and who have the shortest available walking route to school.
5. Pupils whose principal address is outside the catchment area of the school as defined by the LA and who have a sibling in school at the time of entry.
 - 'sibling' is defined as:
 - A full or half brother or sister
 - A step brother or step sister
 - An adoptive brother or sister
 - Children or parents who are married or cohabiting, where the parents and children live together in the same family household.
6. Pupils with special medical or social needs. Production of a medical certificate or other appropriate information from a doctor or professional involved in and supporting the case, is required.
7. Pupils whose principal address is outside the catchment area of the school as defined by the LA, but who may be living within the parish boundaries of Churches within the catchment area, and whose family is actively involved in the worship, life and work of a Christian faith Church. This application must be supported by the appropriate Vicar/Rector/Minister. Faith in this context is defined as being adherent to the Christian Trinity.
 - 'Church' is taken as meaning an organised body subscribing to the doctrine of the Trinity, which is either a member of the local Christian Council / Council of Churches or affiliated to 'Christians together in England'.

8. Pupils whose principal address is outside the catchment area of the school as defined by the LA, but who live nearest by the shortest available walking route as defined by the LA.

1.6 Pre-school Visits

Children will be welcomed into school as visitors prior to official entry, should parents wish, under the following arrangements:

Those children entering school in September, whose birthdays fall between 1st September and 31st August inclusive will be able to attend after the Summer half-term for three afternoon visits to acclimatize themselves with the school.

Parents are not obliged to take up places for their children any earlier than the law requires (i.e. currently from the term following their 5th birthday). If you wish to take this option you are strongly advised to discuss the matter first with the Headteacher or with the Pupil Admission Office.

1.7 Admissions for school places during the academic year:

The school complies with parental preference unless one of the Statutory reasons for refusing admission applies.

1.8 Monitoring:

The school annually analyses information on its intakes, to find out whether we attract a wide range of families or whether we are unable to attract all sections of the local community.

If it is perceived that the school's admission policies or practices appear to be unfairly disadvantaging one group compared to another, appropriate action will be taken in line with the Admissions Code.

Approved by the Governing body _____