



'Feeding Minds, Touching Hearts'

Admission Arrangements

ADMISSION CRITERIA

In accordance with the School Admissions Code 2012 parents can request that the date their child is admitted to school is deferred until later in the academic year or until the term in which the child reaches compulsory school age, in addition, parents can request that their child takes up the place part-time until the child reaches compulsory school age. *In either case the place will be kept open for them during the reception year.* The school participates in Nottinghamshire County Councils Fair Access Protocol. For further information on admission of summer born children, please refer to Nottinghamshire County Council's website www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/schooladmissions.

The published admission number for the schools is 15.

If there are more applications than the 15 places available, the following admission oversubscription criteria as laid down by the Governing Body will apply after those children with a statement of special educational needs that names the school have been allocated. Priority will be given to all children from the civil parishes of Gunthorpe or Caythorpe in the following order:

1. Looked after children. * or children who were previously looked after but immediately after being looked after became subject to an adoption, residence or special guardianship order.
2. Children with a sibling**, attending school at the time of application
3. Those parents**/children who are frequent**** worshippers at a Church of England within the parishes of Gunthorpe or Caythorpe.
4. Those parents**/children who are frequent**** worshippers at any other Church of England.
5. Those parents**/children who are currently members of any other Christian Church.
6. All other children

In each of the above criteria, (except criterion 1), and in the event of a tie breaker - those living nearest the school as the crow flies will be offered a place. Distances are measured from the entrance of the child's home to the recognized main entrance to the school building.

Definitions:

*Looked after and previously looked after

A looked after child is a child who is (a) in the care of a local authority, or (b) being provided with accommodation by a local authority in the exercise of their social services functions in accordance with section 22(1) of the Children Act 1989 at the time of making an application to a school.

Previously looked after children are children who were looked after, but ceased to be so because they were adopted (or became subject to a residence order or special guardianship order). Previously looked after children are those who were adopted immediately following having been looked after. An adoption order is an order under section 46 of the Adoption and Children Act 2002. A 'residence order' is an order settling the arrangements to be made as to the person with whom the child is to live under section 8 of the Children Act 1989. Section 14A of the Children Act 1989 defines a 'special guardianship order' as an order appointing one or more individuals to be a child's special guardian (or special guardians).

** Sibling is defined in these arrangements as children who live as brother or sister in the same house, including natural brothers or sisters, adopted siblings, stepbrothers or sisters and foster brothers and sisters.

*** Parent is defined as those with current parental responsibility or legal guardianship.

**** Minimum monthly attendance

Children who have a statement of special educational needs naming the school, or exceptional medical or social circumstances will be admitted. Confirmation will be required from other relevant professionals and will be considered by the Governing Body.

In each of the above criteria, (except criterion 1) those living nearest the school as the crow flies will be offered a place. Distances are measured from the entrance of the child's home to the recognized main entrance to the school building using Nottinghamshire County Council's computerised distance measuring software. In the event of a tie-break, lots will be drawn and independently verified. For criteria 3, 4 and 5, a supplementary information form is available at Appendix 1.

In-year admissions

The school participates in Nottinghamshire County Council's in-year coordinated scheme. Full details are available at www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk.

The school Governors, under regulations, must review the admission criteria annually. For up to date information please contact the Head Teacher. A parent has the right to appeal in the event that their application was unsuccessful. Appeals should be lodged within 20 school days of the date of the refusal letter. If the committee decides that a child should be offered a place at the school, then he or she must be admitted.

Supplementary Admissions Form to be signed by the relevant member of the clergy or ministry.

Name of Child. _____ **d.o. b** _____

*The parents/carers of the above child have applied for a place at **Gunthorpe Church of England Primary School**, and have cited their Christian background as a reason for their choice.*

Please could you provide us with some supplementary information in support of this application.

To the Governors of the school:

I can confirm that _____ (please enter the name(s) of the applicant(s) or their child) **frequently**(minimum monthly attendance) **worship(s) at**

_____ (name and address of church)

They are known to me and have been attending church for _____ (state length of time)

Please add any additional comments if you wish or if you feel you cannot complete the above confirmation.

Signed _____ Print _____

Role in church if not clergy. _____