



## National offer day

### Junior/primary school places (year 3) September 2018

#### Outcomes

- **Place offered** - your child has been offered a place for September 2018.
- **Not offered** - there were more applications than places available and other children had higher priority within the admission oversubscription criteria.
- **Note: if your child has been offered a place at a school that you put higher on your application, any lower preferences have been withdrawn through the coordinated scheme.**
- **Alternative offer (prefixed by \*\*)** - where it was not possible to offer any of your preferences and your child currently attends an infant school, the County Council has made an alternative offer. This may be your catchment school or next closest Nottinghamshire school where places are available.

#### You need to accept the place offered by 1 May 2018.

If you do not accept the place offered, it may be withdrawn and offered to another child.

**Acceptance of a place does not affect your right to appeal against any other preference that has been refused.**

If you applied online you **can only accept the place online at** [www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/education/school-admissions/apply-for-a-school-place](http://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/education/school-admissions/apply-for-a-school-place)

You will need your user name and password to access the system and to accept the school place.

If you have [forgotten your password](#) you can reset it online.

**Rejections of school places will not be processed, unless you can confirm that a place has been secured at an alternative school.**

If you currently have other applications pending for this school or the linked junior/primary school, please contact the school admissions team to confirm whether there is a sibling link which could give higher priority within the admission oversubscription criteria.

#### Right of appeal

If you have been refused a place at your preferred school you have the right to appeal against the decision. If you do wish to appeal you will need to set out the grounds in writing. Admission authorities publish appeals timelines on their websites, but any appeals submitted after the deadline must still be heard.

[You can contact us](#) to request an appeal information pack and for further details on the appeals procedure, who to contact and the timelines for lodging an appeal.

Academies, foundation schools, free schools and voluntary aided schools are responsible for arranging their own appeals, so please contact the school directly to find out how to appeal.

Ahead of the appeal hearing, you will be sent full details of how the admission arrangements and coordinated scheme applied to your application. This will include reasons for the decision to refuse the application and an explanation of how the admission of an additional child would cause prejudice to the provision of efficient education or efficient use of resources.

#### Waiting lists

The County Council will maintain a waiting list in partnership with own admission authorities until 31 December 2018. Waiting lists for community and voluntary controlled schools will be held until the end of the summer term 2019.

Your child's name will only be placed on a waiting list if they have been refused a place at a school which you put higher on your application than the school where the place has been offered.

Waiting lists are held in admission oversubscription criteria order and priority is not given to the date an application was received.

To enquire about your child's position on a waiting list for a Nottinghamshire community or voluntary controlled school, you can contact us on 0300 500 80 80 during office hours.

For all other schools, you should contact the individual admission authorities directly for this information.

**Remember that being on a waiting list does not mean that a place will eventually become available. Your child's place on the waiting list may change.**

If late applications have a higher priority within the admission oversubscription criteria, they will be placed higher than those that have been on the list for some time. If your child can be offered a place at a higher preferred school, their name will be removed from the waiting lists for any lower preferences.

## **Late applications and changes of preference**

Any changes of preference (whether you are adding a new preference or changing the order of your preferences) will be considered late.

Late applications will start to be processed from Thursday 3 May 2018 and all applicants will be notified by a letter, posted second class.

Changes to an application can only be made by the original applicant. If you wish to make any late changes to preferences you should contact the school admissions team for further advice. Please telephone 0300 500 80 80 during office hours.

## **Home address/moving house**

If you are on a waiting list, it is your responsibility to let us know, in writing, if you move house. This is very important as it may affect how your application is considered against the school's admission oversubscription criteria.

You will be required to provide evidence of your new address to verify that your child is resident at the new property. It is important that we receive this information as soon as possible after you have moved to ensure that your application can be processed correctly.

We will investigate any applications where there are doubts about the information provided and we undertake random checks to verify that information provided by parents is genuine. If we receive an application where the address is proven to be fraudulent, any offer based on that address may be withdrawn.

## **Free school meals**

**If your child already receives a free school meal at a Nottinghamshire school, this will automatically continue in September 2018 as long as your circumstances remain the same.**

If your child has been offered a place at a school outside of Nottinghamshire and you or your child qualifies for free school meals, you should contact the relevant local authority before September 2018 to apply for free school meals at the new school. These will not automatically continue.

If your child has been allocated a place at a Nottinghamshire secondary school and has previously attended an out of county school you can apply online for free school meals. Information about qualifying benefits and how to apply is available at

[www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/education/school-meals/free-school-meals-and-milk](http://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/education/school-meals/free-school-meals-and-milk)

## **Transport to school**

If your child is attending full time statutory education at the catchment or nearest available school and you live over the statutory walking distance, your child may be eligible for free home to school transport or travel assistance.

Remember that you are responsible for getting your child to school and [applying for transport](#) if you think you are eligible. Information on transport is available at

[www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/education/travel-to-schools](http://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/education/travel-to-schools)

### **General contact information**

**Phone:** 0300 500 80 80

**Monday to Friday:** 8am to 6pm

(Calls cost no more than calls to standard geographic numbers (01 or 02) and will also be included in inclusive minutes and discount schemes.)

**Email:** [enquiries@nottscc.gov.uk](mailto:enquiries@nottscc.gov.uk)

**Website:** [nottinghamshire.gov.uk/admissions](http://nottinghamshire.gov.uk/admissions)

**Minicom:** 01623 434993

**Phone** 0300 500 80 80 if you need the information in a different language or format.

Internet access is available at public libraries.