

## **ADMISSION ARRANGEMENTS FOR COMMUNITY AND VOLUNTARY CONTROLLED SCHOOLS: 2022-2023**

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## **Section 1 - overall procedures and practices (including oversubscription criteria)**

**The admission arrangements for a school must include information about how applications are considered when there are more applications than places available. In the normal admissions round, if a school is undersubscribed, any parent who applies must be offered a place.**

### **1.1 Key terms**

#### **Relevant area**

This is the area which the admission authority for the school must consult all other prescribed schools within that area about any proposed changes to its admission arrangements. The area is determined by the local authority and reviewed every two years.

Nottinghamshire County Council reviewed its relevant areas in 2019-2020. These areas are coterminous with the administrative district in which the school or academy is located, that is, Ashfield, Bassetlaw, Broxtowe, Gedling, Mansfield, Newark, Rushcliffe. For schools that have a catchment area or linked school that extends into other district areas the relevant area also includes that area, and/or the neighbouring local authority. For schools giving priority for children living in a parish the relevant area also includes the parish area that the school serves if this crosses into more than one administrative district area and/or other local authority.

#### **Oversubscription criteria**

Where there are more applications than places available, the oversubscription criteria are used to decide the priority of applications for school places. The first criterion represents the group of children most likely to get a place at the school. The last criterion represents the group of children least likely to get a place.

Some community and voluntary controlled schools in Nottinghamshire have a variation to the standard oversubscription criteria.

The criteria for each Nottinghamshire community and voluntary controlled school are shown in the tables in paragraph 1.4.

#### **Education, health and care plan (EHCP)**

All children with an education, health and care plan that names the school will be admitted. These documents state the education provision required for an individual child.

## **Looked after and previously looked after children**

The School Admissions Code 2021 states that all admission authorities must give highest priority to this group of children and provides the following definition:

*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 (see the definition in 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 child arrangements order or special guardianship order). Further references to previously looked after children means such children who were adopted (or subject to child arrangements orders or special guardianship orders) immediately following having been looked after and those children who appear (to the admission authority) to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted.*

- *A child is regarded as having been in state care outside of England if they were in the care of or were accommodated by a public authority, a religious organisation, or any other provider of care whose sole or main purpose is to benefit society.*
- *Children who were adopted under the Adoption Act 1976 and children who were adopted under section 46 of the Adoption and Children Act 2002.*
- *Child arrangements orders are defined in section 8 of the Children Act 1989, as amended by section 12 of the Children and Families Act 2014. Child arrangements orders replace residence orders and any residence order in force prior to 22 April 2014 is deemed to be a child arrangements order. 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).*

## **Special consideration**

Nottinghamshire County Council will consider applications for community and voluntary controlled schools where the application can be supported by written evidence from a doctor, social worker or other relevant professional stating why a particular school is the only school which could cater for the child's particular needs. The evidence must be presented at the time of application.

- For information provided before the closing date for intake applications, the appropriate designated officers will consider each case and decide the allocation of any such place on the basis of written evidence. Where it is agreed that a particular school is the only school that could meet a child's needs, the application will have priority following the allocation of looked after and previously looked after children.
- For information provided after the closing date and for all in-year applications, the appropriate designated officers will consider each case. If it is agreed that a particular school is the only school that could meet a child's needs, the application will have priority after looked after and previously looked after children. If the school is oversubscribed the application will have priority on the waiting list after the initial allocation of places.

Where a request for special consideration is not approved:

- For information provided before the closing date for intake applications, a decision will not be communicated, and the application will be considered in line with the published admission oversubscription criteria.
- For information provided after the closing date and for all in-year applications, a decision based on the evidence provided will be communicated to the applicant.

### **Home address**

The child's place of residence is taken to be the parental home, other than in the case of children fostered by a local authority, where either the parental address or that of a foster parent(s) may be used. If a child's parents live at separate addresses, the address where the child permanently spends at least three 'school' nights (that is, Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday) will be taken to be the place of residence. Addresses of other relatives or friends will not be considered as the place of residence, even if the child stays there for all or part of the week. Evidence that the child's place of residence is permanent may also be sought and this should prove that the child lived at the address at the time of the application.

Informal arrangements between parents will not be taken into consideration.

### **Children of UK Service personnel and crown servants**

For families of service personnel with a confirmed posting to the area or crown servants returning from overseas to live in the area, Nottinghamshire County Council will use the address at which the child will live when applying the oversubscription criteria, as long as the parent provides some evidence of their intended address. A Unit or quartering address will be used as the child's home address where a parent requests this and evidence, such as an official letter declaring the relocation, is received.

Overseas nationals entering the UK, who wish to apply for a state-funded school place, are advised to check that they have a right of abode (<https://www.gov.uk/right-of-abode>) or that the conditions of their immigration status otherwise permit access to a state-funded school.

### **Catchment areas**

Nottinghamshire community and voluntary controlled schools have a defined catchment area, details of which are available on the public website

<http://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/education/school-admissions/school-catchment-areas>

Catchment areas do not prevent parents who live outside the catchment of a particular school from expressing a preference for the school.

### **Sibling (brother or sister)**

- brothers and/or sisters who share the same parent(s)
- a half-brother, half-sister or legally adopted child living at the same address
- a child looked after by a local authority placed in a foster family with other school age children
- a stepchild or children who are not related but live as a family unit, where parents both live at the same address as the child.

### **Displaced sibling**

A child is considered to have been displaced if they applied on time for their Nottinghamshire community catchment area school and they were not allocated under the coordinated scheme as the school was oversubscribed with catchment area children at national offer day. If the older sibling was subsequently offered a place at the community catchment school from the waiting list and this offer was declined, the child will not be considered as displaced and any younger siblings would not be given any additional priority in the oversubscription criteria.

### **Multiple births (twins, triplets etc)**

Where one child of a multiple birth can be admitted through the normal admissions process, the other child/children will also be admitted.

### **Linked school**

In some instances, attending a particular school or having a sibling attending that school, gives an application some priority within the oversubscription criteria for another named school. This is known as a 'linked school' and information about linked schools is available in *Admissions to schools: School information*, available on the County Council's website.

### **Parent**

- the mother of the child
- the father of the child where he was married to the mother either when the child was born or at a later date
- the father of the child if (since 1 December 2003) he was registered as the father on the birth certificate
- an adoptive parent
- any other person who has acquired 'parental responsibility' through the courts; evidence of this may be required
- authorisation may also be given for another person to speak on the parent's behalf.

The person making the application must hold parental responsibility. If those with parental responsibility are unable to agree on the preferences received by Nottinghamshire County Council, it may be necessary for parents to obtain further legal advice. Nottinghamshire County Council will continue to process an application unless legal documentation is provided that states an application cannot be processed. In cases where multiple applications are received for the same child, Nottinghamshire County Council will establish where the child lives for the majority of the time. If agreement is not reached the address held by the child's current provision will be used.

### **Distance measurement**

Within each of the criteria, priority will be given to children who live nearest to the school as the crow flies (by straight line). Distances are measured from the main administrative point at the school campus to an address point (using eastings and northings as defined by Ordnance Survey) to the child's home using the local authority's computerised distance measuring software.

### **Chuter Ede Primary School only**

This school is set on two sites – Balderton and Fernwood villages on the southern edge of Newark. Applications can only be made to Chuter Ede Primary School and not to the individual sites. Applications are considered according to the oversubscription criteria for the school, but distances are measured as the crow flies (by straight line) to a central point between the two sites. The central point is set using coordinates: Easting: 482377.26 and Northing: 351424.85.

### **Tie breaker**

All admission arrangements must include an effective, clear and fair tie-breaker to decide between two applications that cannot otherwise be separated. In the event of two distances being equal Nottinghamshire County Council measures to the next decimal point. If the measurements remain equal, for example children living in the same block of flats, lots will be drawn, and the process will be independently verified.

### **Waiting lists**

For Nottinghamshire community and voluntary controlled schools, children's names will be added to a school's waiting list if they are refused a place. The position on a waiting list is decided by the oversubscription criteria. No reference is made to the date an application has been received or whether a parent has appealed against the decision. If any applications are received that have higher priority within the admission oversubscription criteria, these will be placed higher than applications that may have been on the list for some time. Being on a waiting list does not mean that a place will eventually become available.

If a place becomes available, the place will be allocated at that time, to the child who has highest priority on the waiting list according to the admission oversubscription criteria. This will include all applications that have been received requesting a place at that school where a higher preference has not been met.

For community and voluntary controlled schools, waiting lists are held for admission to year groups reception to year 5 until 31 May. Waiting lists will close on 31 May and parents would need to make a new application for the next academic year.

### **Alternative offers**

Nottinghamshire County Council may identify an alternative offer for Nottinghamshire residents if it is not possible to meet any of their preferences. This ensures that no child is left without a school place. Nottinghamshire County Council may allocate a place at the nearest Nottinghamshire school with places available.

The nearest school is identified by walking distance measured using the County Council's computerised distance measuring software.

**For in-year applications**, Nottinghamshire County Council will identify Nottinghamshire residents without a school place and an alternative offer will be made in the following circumstances:

- relocation to Nottinghamshire within the last 6 weeks, or
- moving house within Nottinghamshire within the last 6 weeks

and in all cases the child's current/previous school is more than 2 miles from the home address for children aged under 8 years of age and 3 miles from the home address for children aged 8 years and over.

Applicants may be required to provide confirmation that the child is resident in the County.

### **Withdrawing an offer of a place**

An offer of a place may only be withdrawn if it has been offered in error, a parent has not responded within a reasonable period of time, or it is established that the offer was obtained through a fraudulent or intentionally misleading application.

### **Fraudulent or misleading information**

Where an offer of a place is found to be based on fraudulent or intentionally misleading information provided on the application, and this effectively denied a place to a child with higher priority for the place at the school, the offer of a place may be withdrawn.

Where the allocation has been withdrawn, the application will be reconsidered and the usual statutory right of appeal will be made available if a place is subsequently refused.

Nottinghamshire County Council will check the home address on any applications where there are doubts about the information provided.

### **Infant class sizes**

The School Admissions (Infant Class Sizes) (England) Regulations 2012 permit children to be admitted as exceptions to the infant class size limit. Section 1 of the SSFA 1998 limits the size of an infant class (that is, a class in which the majority of children will reach the age of five, six or seven during the school year) to 30 pupils per school teacher. The School Admissions Code 2021 (2.16) states that additional children **may** be admitted under limited exceptional circumstances.

These children will remain as 'excepted pupils' for the time they are in an infant class or until the class numbers fall back to the current infant class size limit.

For late applications for reception processed after 19 April 2022 (offer day) and before 31 August 2022 and for all in-year applications for reception to year 2, Nottinghamshire County Council will also consider whether the limited exceptional circumstances could apply. A child who falls into any of these categories will not automatically be admitted as an excepted child.

### **Appeals**

When an application for a school is refused, the parent has a right to appeal to an independent appeal panel. Parents are informed of this when they receive their outcome and to lodge an appeal for community and voluntary controlled schools, parents should contact Nottinghamshire County Council. Further information is available at [www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk](http://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk)

Repeat applications will not be considered for the same school in the same school year unless there has been a significant and material change in the circumstances of the application or those of the school.

A significant and material change in circumstances is something that alters the decision already made. A house move may not necessarily be considered a substantial change and will not give a further right of appeal.

### **National offer day**

This is the day each year on which local authorities are required to send the offer of a school place to all parents in their area.

- For secondary pupils, offers are sent out by the home local authority on 1 March
- For primary pupils, offers are sent out by the home local authority on 16 April.

These dates are relevant to all on-time applications in the primary and secondary coordinated admissions rounds. If offer day falls on a non-working day, information will be sent on the next working day.

## 1.2 Starting school

### Compulsory school age

A child reaches compulsory school age on the prescribed day following their fifth birthday. The prescribed days are 31 December, 31 March and 31 August. Children must be attending school the term following their fifth birthday.

### Deferred entry to school

All children can start school full time in reception in the September following their fourth birthday. However, parents can request that the date their child is admitted to school is deferred until later in the school year 2022-2023, or until the term in which the child reaches compulsory school age within this year. The school year is also referred to as the 'academic year'.

Parents can request that their child takes up the place part-time until the child reaches compulsory school age within the 2022-2023 school year. Parents must ensure that they apply for a school place before the closing date of 15 January 2022, if they want their child to start in the reception class. Requests should be made to the allocated school.

### Delaying admission (summer born children)

The parents of a **summer born child** (born between 1 April and 31 August) may choose not to send their child to school until the September following their fifth birthday. Typically, this means their child will start school in year 1, forfeiting reception. If a parent wishes to delay their child's admission to school until compulsory school age, and wants their child to be admitted to reception, the parent must request that the child is admitted out of the normal age group – to reception rather than year 1. Parents should discuss the request with the headteacher of the each of their preferred schools.

Nottinghamshire County Council, as the admission authority for community and voluntary controlled schools, is responsible for making the decision about which year group a child should be admitted to and designated officers will consider the circumstances of each case, the child concerned and take account of the views of the headteacher. This will include taking account of the parent's views; information about the child's academic, social and emotional development; where relevant, the child's medical history and the views of a medical professional; whether they have previously been educated out of their normal age group; and whether they may naturally have fallen into a lower age group if it were for not being born prematurely.

### Requesting a delayed admission

Parents considering delaying their child's admission should submit their request for community and voluntary controlled schools in Nottinghamshire to Nottinghamshire County Council's school admissions team. This request should be made alongside the formal application for a school place that is made to the child's home local authority by the closing date (15 January for reception age/year 3 places; 31 October for secondary school places).

- Where a request to delay admission is agreed, the child's application will be processed as part of the main admission round
- If a request is not agreed, parents can continue with an application for a reception school place at the normal time, or delay admission until compulsory school age and apply for a place in year 1.

In all cases, the application will be considered on the basis of the determined admission arrangements only.



For requests submitted before the national closing date for applications, parents will be notified of the admission authority's decision on whether the request to delay has been agreed before National Offer Day (16 April for reception age pupil/year 3 places; 1 March for secondary school places).

### **Admission of children outside the normal age group**

Parents may seek a place for their child outside the normal age group, for example if the child is gifted and talented, has experienced ill health or is a summer born child wishing to start school in reception instead of year 1. This is not limited to applications for those starting school for the first time but includes children moving from infant to junior/primary schools and from primary to secondary schools.

When parents are told the decision about the year group to which the child should be admitted, they will also be given reasons for the decision. Where it is agreed that a child will be admitted out of the normal age group and, as a consequence of that decision, the child will be admitted to an intake age group (for example, reception), the County Council will process the application as part of the main admissions round, unless the request was submitted after the closing date and it is too late for this to be possible. Parents have a statutory right to appeal against the refusal of a place at a school for which they have applied. This right does not apply if they are offered a place at the school, but it is not in their preferred age group.

## **1.3 Relevant legislation**

Nottinghamshire County Council complies with the regulations and legislation set out in the School Admissions Code 2021 and the School Admission Appeals Code 2012, including:

- Equality Act 2010
- Human Rights Act 1998
- School Standards and Framework Act 1998

## 1.4 Oversubscription criteria for Nottinghamshire community and voluntary controlled schools

If there are more applications than places available, the oversubscription criteria will be used to determine how places are allocated. The first criterion represents the group of children most likely to get a place at the school; the last criterion represents the group of children least likely to get a place.

The oversubscription criteria for community and voluntary controlled schools in Nottinghamshire are presented in 8 tables. Each table shows the determined admission arrangements for 2022-2023,

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| 1.4A  | STANDARD RECEPTION CRITERIA: INFANT AND PRIMARY SCHOOLS 2022-2023 |
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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Looked after children and previously looked after children, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted.</li> <li>2. Children who live in the catchment area at the closing date for applications and who, at the time of admission, will have a brother or sister attending the school or the linked junior/primary school <b>and children who do not live in the catchment area at the closing date for application and who, at the time of admission will have a brother or sister attending the school or the linked junior/primary school who was displaced as their Nottinghamshire community catchment area school was oversubscribed at the national offer day for first admission to school</b></li> <li>3. Other children who live in the catchment area at the closing date for applications</li> <li>4. Children who live outside the catchment area who, at the time of admission, will have a brother or sister attending the school or the linked junior/primary school</li> <li>5. Children who live outside the catchment area</li> </ol> |   |
| <b>School names</b>   |   |
| Abbey Gates Primary School  |   |
| Abbey Hill Primary and Nursery School   |   |
| Abbey Primary School  |   |
| Albany Infant and Nursery School  |   |
| Annesley Primary and Nursery School   |   |
| Arnold Mill Primary and Nursery School  |   |
| Arnold View Primary School  |   |
| Arnold Woodthorpe Infant School   |   |
| Asquith Primary School  |   |
| Bagthorpe Primary School  |   |
| Beardall Fields Primary and Nursery School  |   |
| Beckingham Primary School   |   |
| Berry Hill Primary School   |   |
| Blidworth Oaks Primary School   |   |
| Bramcote Hills Primary School   |   |
| Brierley Forest Primary and Nursery School  |   |
| Brinsley Primary and Nursery School   |   |
| Bunny CofE Primary School   |   |
| Butler's Hill Infant and Nursery School   |   |
| Carnarvon Primary School  |   |
| Carr Hill Primary and Nursery School  |   |
| Church Vale Primary School and Foundation Unit  |   |
| Chuter Ede Primary School   |   |
| Clarborough Primary School  |   |
| Coddington CofE Primary and Nursery School  |   |

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| Coppice Farm Primary School             |
| Costock CofE Primary School             |
| Crescent Primary School                 |
| Croft Primary School                    |
| Dalestorth Primary and Nursery School   |
| Dunham-on-Trent CofE Primary School     |
| East Markham Primary School             |
| Edgewood Primary and Nursery School     |
| Elkesley Primary and Nursery School     |
| Everton Primary School                  |
| Farmilo Primary School and Nursery      |
| Forest Town Primary School              |
| Gateford Park Primary School            |
| Gotham Primary School                   |
| Greasley Beauvale Primary School        |
| Hallcroft Infant and Nursery School     |
| Hawthorne Primary and Nursery School    |
| Healdswood Infants and Nursery School   |
| Heatherley Primary School               |
| Heathlands Primary School               |
| Hetts Lane Infant and Nursery School    |
| High Oakham Primary School              |
| Holgate Primary and Nursery School      |
| Holly Hill Primary and Nursery School   |
| Holly Primary School                    |
| Intake Farm Primary School              |
| Jacksdale Primary and Nursery School    |
| James Peacock Infant and Nursery School |
| Jesse Gray Primary School               |
| John Blow Primary School                |
| John Clifford Primary School            |
| John Hunt Primary School                |
| John T Rice Infant and Nursery School   |
| King Edward Primary and Nursery School  |
| King Edwin Primary and Nursery School   |
| Kingsway Primary School                 |
| Kinoulton Primary School                |

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| Kirklington Primary School                   |
| Lady Bay Primary School                      |
| Lake View Primary and Nursery School         |
| Lambley Primary School                       |
| Langar CofE Primary School                   |
| Lantern Lane Primary and Nursery School      |
| Lawrence View Primary and Nursery School     |
| Leen Mills Primary School                    |
| Lovers Lane Primary and Nursery School       |
| Lowe's Wong Infant School                    |
| Manor Park Infant and Nursery School         |
| Mapperley Plains Primary and Nursery School  |
| Mattersey Primary School                     |
| Maun Infant and Nursery School               |
| Misson Primary School                        |
| Misterton Primary and Nursery School         |
| Morven Park Primary and Nursery School       |
| Mount CofE Primary and Nursery School        |
| Muskham Primary School                       |
| Netherfield Infant School                    |
| Nettleworth Infant and Nursery School        |
| Newstead Primary and Nursery School          |
| Normanton-on-Soar Primary School             |
| North Clifton Primary School                 |
| Northfield Primary and Nursery School        |
| Norwell CofE Primary School                  |
| Orchard Primary School and Nursery           |
| Ordsall Primary School                       |
| Orston Primary School                        |
| Phoenix Infant and Nursery School            |
| Pinewood Infant and Nursery School           |
| Priestsic Primary and Nursery School         |
| Prospect Hill Infant and Nursery School      |
| Queen Eleanor Primary School                 |
| Radcliffe-on-Trent Infant and Nursery School |
| Rampton Primary School                       |
| Ramsden Primary School                       |

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| Ravenshead CofE Primary School                |
| Redlands Primary and Nursery School           |
| Round Hill Primary School                     |
| Selston CofE Infant and Nursery School        |
| Sir Edmund Hillary Primary and Nursery School |
| Springbank Primary School                     |
| St Augustine's School                         |
| St Edmund's CofE Primary School               |
| Standhill Infants' School                     |
| Stanhope Primary and Nursery School           |
| Sutton Bonington Primary School               |
| Sutton-on-Trent Primary and Nursery School    |
| Sutton Road Primary School                    |
| The Lanes Primary School                      |
| Toton Banks Road Infant and Nursery School    |
| Trent Vale Infant School                      |
| Underwood Church of England Primary School    |
| Wadsworth Fields Primary School               |
| Walesby CofE Primary School                   |
| Walkeringham Primary School                   |
| West Bridgford Infant School                  |
| Westdale Infant School                        |
| Westwood Infant and Nursery School            |
| William Lilley Infant and Nursery School      |
| Willoughby Primary School                     |
| Willow Brook Primary School                   |
| Woodland View Primary School                  |
| Wynndale Primary School                       |

**1.4B****VARIATION TO STANDARD RECEPTION CRITERIA:  
INFANT AND PRIMARY SCHOOLS – FAITH CRITERIA 2022-2023**

1. Looked after children and previously looked after children, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted.
2. Children who live in the catchment area at the closing date for applications and who, at the time of admission, will have a brother or sister attending the school or the linked junior/primary school **and children who do not live in the catchment area at the closing date for application and who, at the time of admission, will have a brother or sister attending the school or the linked/junior primary school who was displaced as their Nottinghamshire community catchment area school was oversubscribed at the national offer day for first admission to school**
3. Other children who live in the catchment area at the closing date for applications
4. Children who live outside the catchment and who, at the time of admission, will have a brother or sister attending the school or the linked junior/primary school
5. Children who live outside the catchment area and whose parent attends the relevant church/churches\*
6. Children who live outside the catchment area

\*Relevant churches are detailed below. Supporting evidence from the appropriate minister must be provided to confirm attendance. Attendance at church is defined as having attended the recognised place of worship for at least twice a month for a minimum period of one year immediately prior to the date of application (including week-day worship).

In the event that during the period specified for attendance at worship the church or other recognised place of worship has been closed for public worship and has not provided alternative premises for that worship, the requirements of these admission arrangements in relation to attendance will only apply to the period when the church or alternative premises have been available for public worship.

\*\*If a church is not named, supporting information must be provided to confirm regular attendance. Attendance at church is defined as having attended the recognised place of worship for at least twice a month for a minimum period of one year at a Christian church that is a member of Churches Together in England or the Evangelical Alliance ([www.cte.org.uk](http://www.cte.org.uk) or [www.eauk.org](http://www.eauk.org)) immediately prior to the date of application.

| <b>School name</b>                              | <b>Relevant church/churches</b>                          |
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| Caunton Dean Hole CofE Primary School           | St Andrew's Church, Caunton                              |
| Cuckney CofE Primary School                     | St Mary's Church, Cuckney or St Winifred's, Holbeck      |
| Kneesall CofE Primary School                    | **   |
| North Wheatley Church of England Primary School | **   |
| Ranby CofE Primary School                       | All Saints Church, Babworth or St Martin's Church, Ranby |
| St Andrew's CofE Primary and Nursery School     | **   |
| St John's CofE Primary School                   | **   |
| St Matthew's CofE Primary                       | **   |

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**ALL HALLOWS CofE PRIMARY SCHOOL (GEDLING) - FAITH CRITERIA  
VARIATION TO STANDARD RECEPTION CRITERIA 2022-2023**

1. Looked after children and previously looked after children, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted.
2. Children who live in the catchment area at the closing date for applications and who have a brother or sister attending the school at the time of admission **and** *children who do not live in the catchment area at the closing date for application and who, at the time of admission, will have a brother or sister attending the school who was displaced as their Nottinghamshire community catchment school was oversubscribed at the national offer day for first admission to school*
3. Children who live in the catchment area at the closing date for applications where the parent or child has regularly worshipped at All Hallows, Gedling or St Paul's, Carlton
4. Children who live in the catchment area at the closing date for applications where the parent or child has regularly worshipped at another Christian Church that is a member of Churches Together in England or the Evangelical Alliance
5. Children who live in the catchment area at the closing date for applications, where the parent or child has regular involvement with another faith through a recognised place of worship
6. Children who live in the catchment area
7. Children who live outside the catchment area and who, at the time of admission, will have a brother or sister attending the school
8. Other children

Supporting evidence from the appropriate minister must be provided to confirm attendance.

Attendance at church is defined as having attended the recognised place of worship, for at least twice a month for a minimum period of one year (including week-day worship) immediately prior to the date of application, at a Christian church that is a member of Churches Together in England or the Evangelical Alliance ([www.cte.org.uk](http://www.cte.org.uk) or [www.eauk.org](http://www.eauk.org))

Attendance at other recognised places of worship must confirm that the parent or child has attended at least twice a month for a minimum period of one year (including week-day worship) immediately prior to the date of application.

In the event that during the period specified for attendance at worship the church or other recognised place of worship has been closed for public worship and has not provided alternative premises for that worship, the requirements of these admission arrangements in relation to attendance will only apply to the period when the church or alternative premises have been available for public worship.



1.4D

**ST WILFRID'S COFE PRIMARY SCHOOL (GEDLING) - FAITH CRITERIA  
VARIATION TO STANDARD RECEPTION CRITERIA 2022-2023**

1. Looked after children and previously looked after children, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted.
2. Children who live in the catchment area at the closing date for applications and who, at the time of admission, will have a brother or sister attending the school **and** *children who do not live in the catchment area at the closing date for application and who, at the time of admission, will have a brother or sister attending the school who was displaced as their Nottinghamshire community catchment school was oversubscribed at the national offer day for first admission to school*
3. Children who live in the catchment area and have a parent who has attended a church service\* at least twice a month for a minimum period of one year immediately prior to the date of application, or where the child has attended a church service\* with an adult member of their immediate family at least twice a month for a minimum period of one year immediately prior to the date of application
4. Other children who live in the catchment area
5. Children who live outside the catchment area and who, at the time of admission, will have a brother or sister attending the school
6. Children who live outside the catchment area and have a parent who has attended a church service\* at least twice a month for a minimum period of one year immediately prior to the date of application, or where the child has attended a church service\* with an adult member of their immediate family at least twice a month for a minimum period of one year immediately prior to the date of application
7. Other children who live outside the catchment area

\*Church service includes attendance at a) the Church of England or b) a church which is a member of the Churches Together in England. Information from the appropriate minister confirming attendance must be provided with the application.

In the event that during the period specified for attendance at worship the church or other recognised place of worship has been closed for public worship and has not provided alternative premises for that worship, the requirements of these admission arrangements in relation to attendance will only apply to the period when the church or alternative premises have been available for public worship.

1.4E

**TROWELL COFE PRIMARY SCHOOL (BROXTOWE) - FAITH CRITERIA  
VARIATION TO STANDARD RECEPTION CRITERIA 2022-2023**

1. Looked after children and previously looked after children, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted.
2. Children who live in the catchment area at the closing date for applications and who, at the time of admission, will have a brother or sister attending the school **and** *children who do not live in the catchment area at the closing date for application and who, at the time of admission, will have a brother or sister attending the school who was displaced as their Nottinghamshire community catchment school was oversubscribed at the national offer day for first admission to school*
3. Other children who live in the catchment area at the closing date for applications
4. Children who live outside the catchment area and who, at the time of admission, will have a brother or sister attending the school
5. Children who live outside the catchment area where a parent is involved with St Helen's Church\*
6. Children who live outside the catchment area where a parent is involved with other named Anglican churches or those churches affiliated with Churches Together in England or the Evangelical Alliance\*
7. Other children who live outside the catchment area

\*Supporting information from a minister will be required to confirm involvement with the relevant church. Regular involvement means attendance at church services at least twice a month for a minimum period of one year immediately prior to the date of application.

In the event that during the period specified for attendance at worship the church or other recognised place of worship has been closed for public worship and has not provided alternative premises for that worship, the requirements of these admission arrangements in relation to attendance will only apply to the period when the church or alternative premises have been available for public worship.

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| <b>1.4F</b>  | <b>STANDARD JUNIOR/PRIMARY CRITERIA: YEAR 3 ADMISSIONS FROM A LINKED INFANT SCHOOL 2022-2023</b> |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Looked after children and previously looked after children, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted.</li> <li>2. Children who attend the linked infant school at the closing date for applications and who, at the time of admission, will have a brother or sister attending the school or the linked infant school</li> <li>3. Other children who attend the linked infant school at the closing date for applications</li> <li>4. Children who live in the catchment area at the closing date for applications, who do not attend the linked infant school but who, at the time of admission, will have a brother or sister attending the school or the linked infant school</li> <li>5. Other children who live in the catchment area at the closing date for applications and do not attend the linked infant school</li> <li>6. Children who live outside the catchment area and who do not attend the linked infant school but who, at the time of admission, will have a brother or sister attending the school or the linked infant school</li> <li>7. Children who live outside the catchment area</li> </ol> |  |
| <b>School names</b>  |  |
| Albany Junior School   |  |
| Arno Vale Junior School  |  |
| Beeston Rylands Junior School  |  |
| Broomhill Junior School  |  |
| Carr Hill Primary and Nursery School   |  |
| Eastlands Junior School (Welbeck Federation of Schools)  |  |
| Eskdale Junior School  |  |
| Jacksdale Primary and Nursery School   |  |
| Leas Park Junior School  |  |
| Newlands Junior School   |  |
| Priory Junior School   |  |
| Prospect Hill Junior School  |  |
| Radcliffe-on-Trent Junior School   |  |
| Sherwood Junior School   |  |
| West Bridgford Junior School   |  |
| Woodland View Primary School   |  |

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| <b>1.4G</b>  | <b>VARIATION TO STANDARD JUNIOR/PRIMARY CRITERIA:<br/>YEAR 3 INTAKE 2022-2023</b> |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Looked after children and previously looked after children, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted.</li> <li>2. Children who live in the catchment area at the closing date for applications <b>and</b> attend the linked infant school and who, at the time of admission, will have a brother or sister attending the school <b>or</b> the linked infant school</li> <li>3. Other children who live in the catchment area at the closing date for applications <b>and</b> attend the linked infant school</li> <li>4. Children who live in the catchment area at the closing date for applications who do not attend the linked infant school but who, at the time of admission, will have a brother or sister attending the school or the linked infant school</li> <li>5. Other children who live in the catchment area at the closing date for applications and do not attend the linked infant school</li> <li>6. Children who live outside the catchment area but attend the linked infant school and who, at the time of admission, will have a brother or sister attending the school or the linked infant school</li> <li>7. Children who live outside the catchment area but attend the linked infant school</li> <li>8. Children who live outside the catchment area and who do not attend the linked infant school but who, at the time of admission, will have a brother or sister attending the school or the linked infant school</li> <li>9. Other children</li> </ol> |   |
| <b>School name</b>   |   |
| Bagthorpe Primary School   |   |
| St Peter's CofE Junior School  |   |
| Toton Bispham Drive Junior School  |   |

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| <b>1.4H</b> | <b>LOWE'S WONG ANGLICAN METHODIST JUNIOR SCHOOL (NEWARK) - FAITH CRITERION 2022-2023<br/>VARIATION TO STANDARD JUNIOR/PRIMARY CRITERIA</b> |
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1. Looked after children and previously looked after children, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted.
2. Children who attend the linked infant school at the closing date for applications and who, at the time of admission, will have a brother or sister attending the school or the linked infant school.
3. Other children who attend the linked infant school at the closing date for applications.
4. Children who live in the catchment area at the closing date for applications, who do not attend the linked infant school but who, at the time of admission, will have a brother or sister attending the school or the linked infant school.
5. Other children who live in the catchment area at the closing date for applications and do not attend the linked infant school.
6. Children who live outside the catchment area and who do not attend the linked infant school but who, at the time of admission, will have a brother or sister attending the school or the linked infant school.
7. Children who live outside the catchment area but whose parent attends the relevant church/churches\*\*.
8. Children who live outside the catchment area.

\*\*Supporting information must be provided to confirm regular attendance at church services at least twice a month for a minimum period of one year immediately prior to the date of application at a Christian church that is a member of Churches Together in England or the Evangelical Alliance ([www.cte.org.uk](http://www.cte.org.uk) or [www.eauk.org](http://www.eauk.org)) .

In the event that during the period specified for attendance at worship the church or other recognised place of worship has been closed for public worship and has not provided alternative premises for that worship, the requirements of these admission arrangements in relation to attendance will only apply to the period when the church or alternative premises have been available for public worship.

## Section 2 – published admission numbers (PAN) 2022-2023

All schools are required to have a published admission number. This is the number of pupils each school can admit. For Nottinghamshire community and voluntary controlled schools, the published numbers are listed by district in the following section. Own admission authority schools are not included.

### 2.1 – Ashfield district

| Primary community and voluntary controlled schools<br>(Note: own admission authority schools are not included – refer to individual school website for information) |                     |           |
|---|---------------------|-----------|
|   | RECEPTION<br>INTAKE | Y3 INTAKE |
| Abbey Hill Primary and Nursery School   | 45                  |           |
| Annesley Primary and Nursery School   | 30                  |           |
| Bagthorpe Primary School  | 15                  | 15        |
| Beardall Fields Primary and Nursery School  | 60                  |           |
| Brierley Forest Primary and Nursery School  | 60                  |           |
| Broomhill Junior School   |                     | 75        |
| Butler's Hill Infant and Nursery School   | 75                  |           |
| Croft Primary School  | 60                  |           |
| Dalestorth Primary and Nursery School   | 45                  |           |
| Edgewood Primary and Nursery School   | 45                  |           |
| Healdswood Infants' and Nursery School  | 60                  |           |
| Holgate Primary and Nursery School  | 60                  |           |
| Holly Hill Primary and Nursery School   | 50                  |           |
| Jacksdale Primary and Nursery School  | 25                  | 20        |
| Kingsway Primary School   | 60                  |           |
| Leen Mills Primary School   | 60                  |           |
| Morven Park Primary and Nursery School  | 60                  |           |
| Orchard Primary School and Nursery  | 45                  |           |
| Priestsic Primary and Nursery School  | 60                  |           |
| Selston CofE Infant and Nursery School  | 25                  |           |
| St Andrew's CofE Primary and Nursery School   | 45                  |           |
| Underwood Church of England Primary School  | 25                  |           |
| Westwood Infant and Nursery School  | 20                  |           |
| Woodland View Primary School  | 30                  | 35        |

Published admission number changes are *highlighted*. The published admission number (PAN) determined for 2021-2022 is in brackets.

## 2.2 – Bassetlaw district

| Primary community and voluntary controlled schools<br>(Note: own admission authority schools are not included – refer to individual school website for information) |                  |           |
|---|------------------|-----------|
|   | RECEPTION INTAKE | Y3 INTAKE |
| Beckingham Primary School   | 15               |           |
| Carr Hill Primary and Nursery School  | 45               | 45        |
| Clarbrough Primary School   | 30               |           |
| Cuckney CofE Primary School   | 20               |           |
| Dunham-on-Trent CofE Primary School   | 15               |           |
| East Markham Primary School   | 30               |           |
| Elkesley Primary and Nursery School   | 15               |           |
| Everton Primary School  | 15               |           |
| Gateford Park Primary School  | 30               |           |
| Hallcroft Infant and Nursery School   | 45               |           |
| Mattersey Primary School  | 10               |           |
| Misson Primary School   | 20               |           |
| Misterton Primary and Nursery School  | 30               |           |
| North Wheatley Church of England Primary School   | 20               |           |
| Ordsall Primary School  | 90               |           |
| Prospect Hill Infant and Nursery School   | 60               |           |
| Prospect Hill Junior School   |                  | 60        |
| Rampton Primary School  | 15               |           |
| Ramsden Primary School  | 30               |           |
| Ranby CofE Primary School   | 15               |           |
| Redlands Primary and Nursery School   | 60               |           |
| Sir Edmund Hillary Primary and Nursery School   | 60               |           |
| St Augustine's School   | 60               |           |
| St Matthew's CofE Primary   | 10               |           |
| Walkeringham Primary School   | 8                |           |

Published admission number changes are *highlighted*. The published admission number (PAN) determined for 2021-2022 is in brackets.

## 2.3 – Broxtowe district

| Primary community and voluntary controlled schools<br>(Note: own admission authority schools are not included – refer to individual school website for information) |                  |           |
|---|------------------|-----------|
|   | RECEPTION INTAKE | Y3 INTAKE |
| Albany Infant and Nursery School  | 60               |           |
| Albany Junior School  |                  | 60        |
| Beeston Rylands Junior School   |                  | 50        |
| Bramcote Hills Primary School   | 60               |           |
| Brinsley Primary and Nursery School   | 30               |           |
| Eskdale Junior School   |                  | 70        |
| Greasley Beauvale Primary School  | 55               |           |
| John Clifford Primary School  | 60               |           |
| Lawrence View Primary and Nursery School  | 30               |           |
| Round Hill Primary School   | 75               |           |
| Springbank Primary School   | 30               |           |
| St John's CofE Primary School   | 15               |           |
| The Lanes Primary School  | 90               |           |
| Toton Banks Road Infant and Nursery School  | 60               |           |
| Toton Bispham Drive Junior School   |                  | 60        |
| Trent Vale Infant School  | 50               |           |
| Trowell CofE Primary School   | 30               |           |
| Wadsworth Fields Primary School   | 50               |           |
| William Lilley Infant and Nursery School  | 60               |           |

Published admission number changes are *highlighted*. The published admission number (PAN) determined for 2021-2022 is in brackets.



## 2.4 – Gedling district

| Primary community and voluntary controlled schools<br>(Note: own admission authority schools are not included – refer to individual school website for information) |                  |           |
|---|------------------|-----------|
|   | RECEPTION INTAKE | Y3 INTAKE |
| Abbey Gates Primary School  | 30               |           |
| All Hallows CofE Primary School   | 30               |           |
| Arno Vale Junior School   |                  | 60        |
| Arnold Mill Primary and Nursery School  | 45               |           |
| Arnold View Primary School  | 45               |           |
| Arnold Woodthorpe Infant School   | 60               |           |
| Coppice Farm Primary School   | 30               |           |
| Hawthorne Primary and Nursery School  | 30               |           |
| Lambley Primary School  | 30               |           |
| Manor Park Infant and Nursery School  | 60               |           |
| Mapperley Plains Primary and Nursery School   | 45               |           |
| Newstead Primary and Nursery School   | 20               |           |
| Phoenix Infant and Nursery School   | 60               |           |
| Pinewood Infant and Nursery School  | 60               |           |
| Priory Junior School  |                  | 60        |
| St Wilfrid's CofE Primary School  | 30               |           |
| Standhill Infants' School   | 45               |           |
| Stanhope Primary and Nursery School   | 60               |           |
| Westdale Infant School  | 60               |           |

Published admission number changes are *highlighted*. The published admission number (PAN) determined for 2021-2022 is in brackets.

## 2.5 – Mansfield district

| Primary community and voluntary controlled schools<br>(Note: own admission authority schools are not included – refer to individual school website for information) |                  |           |
|---|------------------|-----------|
|   | RECEPTION INTAKE | Y3 INTAKE |
| Abbey Primary School  | 60               |           |
| Asquith Primary School  | 45               |           |
| Berry Hill Primary School   | 60               |           |
| Church Vale Primary School and Foundation Unit  | 30               |           |
| Crescent Primary School   | 60               |           |
| Eastlands Junior School (Welbeck Federation of Schools)   |                  | 40        |
| Farmilo Primary School and Nursery  | 45               |           |
| Forest Town Primary School  | 60               |           |
| Heatherley Primary School   | 45               |           |
| Heathlands Primary School   | 25               |           |
| Hetts Lane Infant and Nursery School  | 60               |           |
| High Oakham Primary School  | 60               |           |
| Holly Primary School  | 40               |           |
| Intake Farm Primary School  | 30               |           |
| John T Rice Infant and Nursery School   | 50               |           |
| King Edward Primary and Nursery School  | 60               |           |
| Leas Park Junior School   |                  | 70        |
| Netherfield Infant School   | 40               |           |
| Nettleworth Infant and Nursery School   | 70               |           |
| Newlands Junior School  |                  | 60        |
| Northfield Primary and Nursery School   | 60               |           |
| Sherwood Junior School  |                  | 60        |
| St Edmund's CofE Primary School   | 30               |           |
| Sutton Road Primary School  | 90               |           |
| Wynndale Primary School   | 30               |           |

Published admission number changes are *highlighted*. The published admission number (PAN) determined for 2021-2022 is in brackets.

## 2.6 – Newark district

| Primary community and voluntary controlled schools<br>(Note: own admission authority schools are not included – refer to individual school website for information) |                     |           |
|---|---------------------|-----------|
|   | RECEPTION<br>INTAKE | Y3 INTAKE |
| Blidworth Oaks Primary School   | 45                  |           |
| Caunton Dean Hole CofE Primary School   | 8                   |           |
| Chuter Ede Primary School   | 90                  |           |
| Coddington CofE Primary and Nursery School  | 60                  |           |
| John Blow Primary School  | 30                  |           |
| John Hunt Primary School  | 60                  |           |
| King Edwin Primary and Nursery School   | 60                  |           |
| Kirklington Primary School  | 15                  |           |
| Kneesall CofE Primary School  | 15                  |           |
| Lake View Primary and Nursery School  | 30                  |           |
| Lovers Lane Primary and Nursery School  | 30                  |           |
| Lowe's Wong Infant School   | 70                  |           |
| Lowe's Wong Anglican Methodist Junior   |                     | 100       |
| Maun Infant and Nursery School  | 60                  |           |
| Mount CofE Primary and Nursery School   | 30                  |           |
| Muskham Primary School  | 30                  |           |
| North Clifton Primary School  | 8                   |           |
| Norwell CofE Primary School   | 10                  |           |
| Queen Eleanor Primary School  | 10                  |           |
| Ravenshead CofE Primary School  | 60                  |           |
| Sutton-on-Trent Primary and Nursery School  | 20                  |           |
| Walesby CofE Primary School   | 20                  |           |

Published admission number changes are *highlighted*. The published admission number (PAN) determined for 2021-2022 is in brackets.

## 2.7 – Rushcliffe district

| Primary community and voluntary controlled schools<br>(Note: own admission authority schools are not included – refer to individual school website for information) |                  |                |
|---|------------------|----------------|
|   | RECEPTION INTAKE | Y3 INTAKE      |
| Bunny CofE Primary School   | 15               |                |
| Carnarvon Primary School  | 70               |                |
| Costock CofE Primary School   | 15               |                |
| Gotham Primary School   | 30               |                |
| James Peacock Infant and Nursery School   | 90               |                |
| Jesse Gray Primary School   | 60               |                |
| Kinoulton Primary School  | 20               |                |
| Lady Bay Primary School   | 60               |                |
| Langar CofE Primary School  | 15               |                |
| Lantern Lane Primary and Nursery School   | 60               |                |
| Normanton-on-Soar Primary School  | 15               |                |
| Orston Primary School   | 25               |                |
| Radcliffe-on-Trent Infant and Nursery School  | 90               |                |
| <i>Radcliffe-on-Trent Junior School</i>   |                  | <b>90 (70)</b> |
| St Peter's Cof E Junior School  |                  | 90             |
| Sutton Bonington Primary School   | 30               |                |
| West Bridgford Infant School  | 81               |                |
| West Bridgford Junior School  |                  | 85             |
| Willoughby Primary School   | 7                |                |
| Willow Brook Primary School   | 30               |                |

Published admission number changes are *highlighted*. The published admission number (PAN) determined for 2021-2022 is in brackets.

## **Section 3 - qualifying scheme: how we coordinate the arrangements for the admission of pupils to primary and secondary schools in Nottinghamshire**

**The scheme is for admission at the normal time, for example starting primary school, moving to junior school, moving to secondary school or transferring to a school with an atypical age of admission.**

### **3.1 Introduction**

- a. This section outlines how Nottinghamshire County Council coordinates arrangements for admissions to all maintained schools and academies. Coordinated schemes are intended to simplify the admission process for parents whilst reducing the likelihood of any child being left without a school place. Coordination helps to ensure that, as far as is reasonably practicable, every parent of a child living in a local authority area who has applied to a maintained school or academy school is sent one, and only one, offer of a school place by the local authority where they live (the home authority).
- b. Atypical schools are those which admit children at the beginning of the key stage 4 or the preceding year (that is, year 9 or year 10). All local authorities must inform parents of pupils that they may apply in the offer year to be admitted to the relevant age group of a school with an atypical age. Nottinghamshire does not have any schools of this type but coordinates admission applications for Nottinghamshire residents wishing to apply for schools outside the area.
- c. Children do not automatically transfer to reception from early years provision or nursery and parents must apply for a school place. Similarly, children attending an infant school do not automatically transfer to the junior/primary phase of education and parents must make an application.
- d. Parents of children who live in Nottinghamshire can state up to four preferences for any maintained school or academy school, either in Nottinghamshire (home authority) or any other school in another local authority area.
- e. Where other local authority areas enable parents living in that area to submit more than four preferences, Nottinghamshire County Council will not accept more than four preferences for Nottinghamshire schools.
- f. Nottinghamshire County Council's coordinated scheme is relevant for:
  - children starting school for the first time (reception intake)
  - children transferring from infant school to junior education (Y3 intake)
  - children transferring from primary phase to secondary education (Y7 intake)
  - children applying to transfer to a school with an atypical age of admission, e.g. studio schools or university technology colleges (UTCs) (Y9/Y10 intake).

These are known as 'normal admissions rounds'.

- g. In all other cases, applications for admission are known as 'in-year admissions' and these are described in section 4.

- h. Nottinghamshire County Council will work with other local authorities and all other own admission authority schools. Our neighbouring local authorities are: Derbyshire, Doncaster, Leicestershire, Lincolnshire, North Lincolnshire, Nottingham City and Rotherham.
- i. Nottinghamshire residents will receive a decision about a place only from Nottinghamshire County Council.
- j. All offers of a place by Nottinghamshire County Council during the normal admissions round will be made as shown in the timetables outlined in this scheme.

### **3.2 Applying for a school place**

- a. Parents of children who live in Nottinghamshire and make an application for admission to any school must apply to Nottinghamshire County Council. Parents can apply online, by telephone or by completing a paper application form.
- b. Parents of children living in another country or posted overseas that are moving/returning to England/the UK to live within the Nottinghamshire area may submit an application. This will be considered as an intention to move/return to the area and will be coordinated alongside other applications in line with Nottinghamshire County Council's coordinated process.
- c. All other applicants must apply to their home local authority (the area where they live).
- d. Parents will be invited to state up to **four** preferences in the order they most prefer and give reasons for those preferences. Preference order will not be revealed to other admission authorities. Parents should include any additional information the admission authority may need in order to consider their preferences fully.
- d. Some academy, foundation, free, studio, trust, voluntary aided or voluntary controlled schools require additional information (see relevant admissions criteria) in order to apply their oversubscription criteria. This may include completion of a supplementary form or other written evidence, for example, from a minister to demonstrate commitment to religion.
- e. The supplementary form is not a legal application for admission to a school and parents must complete the home local authority application.
- f. Supplementary forms and additional supporting information should be returned to the relevant admission authority before the closing date.

### **3.3 How applications are processed**

- a. Nottinghamshire County Council will collate all applications and exchange information with other admission authorities.
- b. Nottinghamshire County Council will first exchange information about preferences for schools outside of Nottinghamshire with relevant local authorities.
- c. Following receipt of information from other local authorities, Nottinghamshire County Council will then send details of the preferences to other own admission authority schools within Nottinghamshire.

- d. Each admission authority will then apply their published admission oversubscription criteria to all preferences to rank in priority order.
- e. Own admission authority schools within Nottinghamshire will return all preferences in rank order of priority.
- f. Nottinghamshire County Council will identify whether, or not, a place can be offered at a Nottinghamshire school based on the preference and the oversubscription criteria (rank order). Nottinghamshire County Council will inform other local authorities about decisions for their residents and will receive notification from other local authorities whether, or not, any places can be offered to Nottinghamshire residents.

### **3.4 Provisional offers**

- a. Following exchange of offer information with other local authorities, Nottinghamshire County Council will identify all those preferences which can be met.
- b. Where more than one place can be offered for a particular child, Nottinghamshire County Council will provisionally allocate the highest preference and any lower preferences will be withdrawn. This may create vacancies at other schools. The process of information exchange with other local authorities is repeated to ensure the highest preference possible can be allocated for each child.
- c. Nottinghamshire County Council will inform other local authorities about final decisions for their residents and will receive notification from other local authorities about final decisions for Nottinghamshire residents.

### **3.5 Final offer process**

Nottinghamshire County Council will identify an alternative offer for Nottinghamshire residents if it is not possible to meet any of their preferences.

### **3.6 Informing parents**

- a. Nottinghamshire County Council will inform all Nottinghamshire residents on offer day of the outcome of their application. Nottinghamshire residents who applied online using Nottinghamshire County Council's online application system can access their outcome on offer day and an email will be sent, unless the applicant opted to receive a letter. For parents who applied by telephone or by completing a paper application, letters will be posted second class on offer day and no outcomes can be given over the telephone. Children moving out of Nottinghamshire will receive an outcome from the new home local authority. Any parent whose child is refused a school place has the right of appeal to an independent panel for any higher preferences than the allocated place.
- b. Some admission authorities may withdraw a place where parents do not accept the offer within fourteen days. Parents are advised not to decline any offer of a school place until an alternative allocation has been made. For Nottinghamshire residents, Nottinghamshire County Council will not process rejections of school places unless a school place has been secured at an alternative school.

### 3.7 Waiting lists

- a. **During a normal admissions round** where an application has been refused and the number of applications received is greater than the number of places available, waiting lists will be maintained from offer day.
- b. Children's names are only placed on a waiting list for any school that the parent has ranked higher than the school that has been allocated. If a place is subsequently allocated the child's name will be removed from the waiting list for any lower preferences.
- c. Priority on the waiting list will be decided by reference to the admission oversubscription criteria and not by the date an application was received.
- d. All admission authorities must maintain a waiting list until at least 31 December, as required by the School Admissions Code 2021. For all community and voluntary controlled schools within Nottinghamshire, waiting lists are maintained until 31 May. Being on a waiting list does not mean that a place will eventually become available.

### 3.8 Late applications – normal admissions rounds only

- a. Applications received from parents after the closing date may be considered by Nottinghamshire County Council as on time, with the agreement of the relevant admission authority and only in the following circumstances:
  - relocation into the area of Nottinghamshire County Council from another local authority area
  - relocation within Nottinghamshire
  - exceptional reasons for missing the closing date, for example, family bereavement, hospitalisation or family trauma.

Information outlining why the application was late, together with evidence of relocation, must be provided by:

- **29 November 2021** for children transferring from primary phase to secondary education and atypical schools
  - **8 February 2022** for children starting school for the first time and for children transferring from infant school to junior education.
- b. Late applications and changes to preference order received after the dates outlined above but before **31 August 2022** will be considered after national offer day. This will be after all on time applications have been processed and decisions have been sent to parents. A maximum of 4 preferences can be processed as late on an application at any one time and parents must wait for the outcome for these preferences before making further changes.

Any applications received after **1 September 2022** will be processed as in-year applications (see section 4).



### **3.9 Applications not received – normal admission rounds only**

For known children living in Nottinghamshire **on 31 August 2022** where no application has been received and educational provision elsewhere has not been confirmed for children:

- transferring from infant school to junior education
- transferring from primary phase to secondary education

Nottinghamshire County Council will identify the closest Nottinghamshire school to the child's home address with an available place and send an offer of a school place.

### 3.10 PRIMARY COORDINATED SCHEME 2022-2023

This scheme is relevant for children who will be starting primary school for the first time (reception) or transferring from infant (year 2) to junior/primary school (year 3).

| <b>Timetable for coordinated admission arrangements</b> |  |   |
|---|--|---|
| <b>Stage</b>  | <b>Dates</b>   | <b>Action</b>   |
| 1   | From Monday 8 November 2021                                    | <b>Information about applying for a school place</b> available to parents   |
| 2   | <b>Saturday 15 January 2022</b>                                | <b>Closing date</b> for applications and any supplementary or supporting information, including any special circumstances   |
| 3   | <b>Monday 31 January 2022</b>                                  | <b>Exchange of application information</b> between Nottinghamshire County Council and other local authorities for schools in their area   |
| 4   | <b>Tuesday 8 February 2022</b>                                 | <b>Last date for exceptional late applications and changes to preference to be received by Nottinghamshire County Council in order for a decision to be made whether the application can be considered as on time.</b> Proof of address to be received where relevant.                    |
| 5   | <b>By Wednesday 9 February 2022</b>                            | Nottinghamshire County Council <b>sends application information</b> to own admission authority schools within Nottinghamshire   |
| 6   | <b>By Monday 14 March 2022 by 12 noon</b>                      | Own admission authority schools return all preferences in rank order of priority to Nottinghamshire County Council  |
| 7   | <b>Between Wednesday 16 March 2022 and Friday 1 April 2022</b> | Nottinghamshire County Council <b>makes provisional decisions</b> taking into account the ranking of preferences and informs other local authorities of these provisional decisions   |
| 8   | <b>By Wednesday 6 April 2022</b>                               | Nottinghamshire County Council <b>informs other local authorities of final allocations</b>  |
| 9   | <b>By Friday 8 April 2022</b>                                  | Nottinghamshire County Council identifies any Nottinghamshire resident requiring an alternative offer (applicants who applied on time where none of their preferences could be met)   |
| 10  | <b>Thursday 14 April 2022</b>                                  | Nottinghamshire County Council <b>informs all Nottinghamshire schools of final allocations</b>  |
| 11  | <b>Tuesday 19 April 2022</b>                                   | <b>Offers communicated to Nottinghamshire parents</b> including offers on behalf of own admission authority schools and schools within other local authorities. Emails sent to Nottinghamshire parents who applied online and opted to receive an email. Letters are posted second class. |
| 12  | <b>Appeals</b>   | <b>Primary appeals</b> will begin from May 2022 onwards   |

### 3.11 SECONDARY COORDINATED SCHEME 2022-2023

This scheme is relevant for children transferring from primary school (year 6) to secondary school (year 7) or children transferring to an atypical school in year 9 or year 10.

| <b>Timetable for coordinated admission arrangements</b> |  |  |
|---|--|--|
| <b>Stage</b>  | <b>Dates</b>   | <b>Action</b>  |
| 1   | From Monday 9 August 2021                                      | Information about applying for a school place available to parents   |
| 2   | Sunday 31 October 2021   | Closing date for applications and any supplementary or supporting information, including any special circumstances   |
| 3   | By Wednesday 10 November 2021                                  | Exchange of application information between Nottinghamshire County Council and other local authorities for schools in their area   |
| 4   | Monday 29 November 2021  | Last date for exceptional late applications and changes to preference to be received by Nottinghamshire County Council in order for a decision to be made whether the application can be considered as on time. Proof of address to be received where relevant.                    |
| 5   | By Wednesday 1 December 2021                                   | Nottinghamshire County Council sends application information to own admission authority schools within Nottinghamshire   |
| 6   | By Friday 21 January 2022 by 12 noon                           | Own admission authority schools return all preferences in rank order of priority to Nottinghamshire County Council   |
| 7   | Between Tuesday 25 January 2022 and Wednesday 16 February 2022 | Nottinghamshire County Council makes provisional decisions taking into account the ranking of preferences and informs other local authorities of these provisional decisions   |
| 8   | By Friday 18 February 2022                                     | Nottinghamshire County Council informs other local authorities of final allocations  |
| 9   | By Monday 21 February 2022                                     | Nottinghamshire County Council identifies any Nottinghamshire resident requiring an alternative offer (applicants who applied on time where none of their preferences could be met)  |
| 10  | Monday 28 February 2022  | Nottinghamshire County Council informs all Nottinghamshire schools of final allocations  |
| 11  | Tuesday 1 March 2022   | Offers communicated to Nottinghamshire parents including offers on behalf of own admission authority schools and schools within other local authorities. Emails sent to Nottinghamshire parents who applied online and opted to receive an email. Letters are posted second class. |
| 12  | Appeals  | Secondary appeals will begin from April 2022 onwards   |

## Section 4 – how in-year applications are processed

**Nottinghamshire County Council has an in-year coordinated scheme for all community and voluntary controlled schools. Some own admission authorities have also joined this scheme.**

Applications for in-year admissions will be considered in relation to the PAN for the relevant age group; also considering infant class size restrictions. Generally, and unless a variation is agreed with the County Council, if places are available within the year group, the child will normally be admitted to the school.

### 4.1 Introduction

#### a. What is an in-year application?

An application is an in-year application if it is for the admission of a child to a relevant age group, but it is submitted on or after the first day of the first term of the admission year, or if it is for the admission of a child to an age group other than a relevant age group.

In-year applications can be made for children requiring a school place during the school year, rather than at the usual transfer time to school (for example, starting primary school, moving to junior school, moving to secondary school or transferring to year 9/year 10 in a UTC or studio school).

The majority of in-year applications for school places in Nottinghamshire will be dealt with through normal in-year arrangements. However, some children in vulnerable groups may find it difficult to secure a school place. In these cases, applications may be referred to the Lead Officer for Fair Access under the Fair Access Protocol, available at [www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk](http://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk)

#### c. Fair Access Protocol

Nottinghamshire County Council's Fair Access Protocol (FAP) works in partnership with schools, parents and carers to ensure that vulnerable and or/hard to place children are allocated a school place as quickly as possible. Referral to fair access is made when a parent of an eligible child has not secured a school place under in-year admission procedures.

### 4.2 Nottinghamshire's arrangements for in-year applications to Nottinghamshire schools

- a. Nottinghamshire County Council has a well-established in-year scheme for applications for admission to Nottinghamshire community and voluntary controlled schools and some own admission authorities (OAA) have chosen to join this scheme. Details of the schools that have joined this scheme are available on the public website [www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk](http://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk)
- b. Applications for Nottinghamshire community and voluntary controlled schools as listed in Section 2 of this document, and schools that have joined the scheme, must be made to Nottinghamshire County Council.
- c. OAAs are able to manage their own applications directly without parents having to apply through a local authority. The School Admissions Code 2021 requires that OAAs must notify the local authority of every application and its outcome as soon as reasonably practicable, but within two school days.

- d. Local authorities must provide information to prospective parents about the places available in all schools within its area. Admission authorities for all school must provide the LA with details of the number of places available at their school. The information should be provided no later than 2 school days following receipt of the LAs request.
- e. For schools outside of Nottinghamshire, parents should contact the relevant local authority. Contact details for neighbouring local authorities can be found in the *Admissions to schools: Guide for parents* available at [www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk](http://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk)
- f. Nottinghamshire County Council ensures that the processes for admitting children who have been allocated under in-year arrangements or through the Fair Access Protocol do not lead to unreasonable delay, particularly where a child is otherwise without a place.
- g. The governing body of a community or voluntary controlled school has no power to refuse to admit a child whose admission has been agreed by the local authority.
- h. Admission authorities cannot refuse to admit a child with challenging behaviour where places are available. Governing bodies can refer applications to the local authority for consideration under the provisions of the Fair Access Protocol. Schools should not request information about a child's history of behaviour unless an application meets fair access protocol requirements.
- i. Nottinghamshire County Council may also share information with neighbouring authorities about applicants who live in that local authority area and who apply for a place in one of the schools participating in the scheme. Our neighbouring authorities are Derbyshire, Doncaster, Leicestershire, Lincolnshire, North Lincolnshire, Nottingham City and Rotherham.

#### **4.3 Applying for a place in a Nottinghamshire school**

- a. Parents can make applications up to six weeks, or during the preceding school half term, before the date when they would like their child to start at the preferred school. School places cannot be reserved, and places are allocated in line with this scheme.
- b. Parents can state up to four preferences on an application for any of the schools participating in the scheme. We recommend that parents use all four preferences, listing them in order starting with the one they would most like their child to attend. Nottinghamshire County Council will not reveal the order of preferences to schools. Applications can be made online, by telephone or by completing an application form. A maximum of 4 preferences can be processed at any one time and parents must wait for the outcome for these preferences before making further changes.
- c. Parents applying for academy, foundation, free, studio, trust, voluntary aided or voluntary controlled schools should check whether any additional supporting information is required. This may be written evidence from a minister to demonstrate commitment to religion. This information enables the admission authority to apply admission oversubscription criteria correctly.
- d. Details of oversubscription criteria for Nottinghamshire schools are available on our website [www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk](http://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk)

- e. Applying for a place in year 10 or year 11  
Performance and level of achievement/attainment are adversely affected each time a child experiences a transfer to a new school. Avoidable and unnecessary changes should be carefully considered and parents need to be aware of the consequence of moving schools in key groups such as year 10 and year 11.

It may be difficult to find schools that can offer the same courses as the previous school. However, schools are not able to refuse to admit children because they followed a different curriculum at their previous school.

#### **4.4 Timeline for in-year applications**

- a. Applications for school places are considered without delay to ensure that every child of school age is allocated a school place.

##### **Stage 1 – Application received (0-5 school days)**

Applications are received and processed within weekly admissions rounds with a cut-off point of 5pm on Wednesdays. Any application received after 5pm will be included in the following week's admission round. Details of applications received will be sent to own admission authority schools participating in the scheme for consideration against their oversubscription criteria.

##### **Stage 2 - admission authority considers application (10-15 school days)**

OAAAs requested to notify the County Council within 10 school days and by a maximum of 15 school days of the outcome of the application.

##### **Stage 3 - notification of outcome of application (10-15 school days)**

Parents notified of the outcome of their decision within 10 school days, and no later than 15 school days. For parents who have applied online, notification of the outcome of their preferences will be made available online. All other applications will be sent an outcome by letter, posted second class.

##### **Stage 4 - children without a school place (16+ school days)**

If an offer of a place cannot be met; application may be referred to fair access 4 in line with the requirements of the School Admissions Code 2021.

- b. Admissions will normally be agreed up to the published admission number for the relevant age group. Admission to other age groups cannot be refused on the grounds that the PAN has already been reached. Admission may be refused where the admission of another child would prejudice the provision of efficient education or efficient use of resources.

If there are more applications than places available, the oversubscription criteria will be used to determine which places will be offered. If an application is refused at any school which is listed higher than the one offered, parents are given the right to appeal.

Admission authorities must not refuse to admit a child on behavioural grounds in the normal admissions round, or at any point in the normal year of entry, except for children who have been permanently excluded from two or more schools.

- c. Nottinghamshire County Council will then identify all those preferences that can be met. When a place can be offered at more than one of the schools listed on an application, the County Council will write to offer a place at the highest preferred school where a place is available.

- d. Nottinghamshire County Council will communicate the decision:
- for parents who have applied online, notification of the outcome of their preferences will be made available online
  - for all other applications, notification of the outcome of the application will be sent second class post.
- e. Some admission authorities may withdraw a place where parents do not accept the offer within fourteen days. Parents are advised not to decline any offer of a school place until an alternative allocation has been made.

#### **4.5 Admission to school (taking up the allocated in-year place)**

- a. Parents should contact schools directly to arrange a start date and the place must be taken up as quickly as possible, particularly where the child is out of school.
- b. In all cases, places allocated must be taken up by the start of the next half term.
- c. For places allocated in the summer term the child must be on roll at the allocated school before the end of the summer term. If the place is not taken up by the end of the summer term, parents would need to make a new application for the following academic year.
- d. If places are not taken up within these timelines, the offer of a place may be withdrawn.

#### **4.6 Waiting lists**

- a. Nottinghamshire County Council, as the admission authority for community and voluntary controlled schools, holds waiting lists for year groups reception to year 5. These are held until 31 May.
- b. If a place becomes available, the place will be allocated to the child on the waiting list who has highest priority within the oversubscription criteria at that time. This will include all applications that have been received requesting a place at that school.
- c. If a place is allocated from the waiting list in the summer term, the child must be admitted to the school before the end of the summer term. If the place is not taken up by the end of the summer term parents would need to make a new application for the following academic year.