

# Admission to primary and secondary schools

**Information for parents 2018/19** 





### Key dates for admissions process

#### Secondary Transfer 2018

Monday 11 September 2017 – Application process starts

**Tuesday 31 October 2017**—Applications closing date

**Friday 5 January 2018** – Any changes to the application e.g. address change and subsequent preference changes may be considered up until this date

**Friday 5 January 2018**—Late applications received after closing date can be requested to be considered on time with evidence of significant and exceptional circumstances for the late application up until this date

Thursday 1 March 2018 – National Offer Day\*

#### Transfer to Junior 2018

Monday 11 September 2017 – Application process starts

Monday 15 January 2018 – Applications closing date

**Friday 2 March 2018** – Any changes to the application e.g. address change and subsequent preference changes may be considered up until this date

**Friday 2 March 2018**—Late applications received after closing date can be requested to be considered on time with evidence of significant and exceptional circumstances for the late application up until this date

Monday 16 April 2018 – National Offer Day\*

#### Starting School 2018

Monday 6 November 2017 – Application process starts

Monday 15 January 2018 – Applications closing date

**Friday 2 March 2018** – Any changes to the application e.g. address change and subsequent preference changes may be considered up until this date

**Friday 2 March 2018** – Late applications received after closing date can be requested to be considered on time with evidence of significant and exceptional circumstances for the late application up until this date

Monday 16 April 2018 – National Offer Day\*

<sup>\*</sup> National Offer Day—Emails sent for online applicants. Letters sent to paper applicants and online applicants requesting a letter. Allocations cannot be notified over the phone.

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### Dear parent or carer

We are delighted that you are considering sending your child to a Portsmouth school in September 2018.

Portsmouth City Council is committed to working in close co-operation with school staff, governors and parents to make sure that all children in Portsmouth have an exciting, rewarding and successful experience in school. To this end we are ambitious for Portsmouth's children and we are working with schools:

- to improve exam results for all pupils
- to help ensure all schools are rated good and as many as possible rated outstanding
- to improve pupils' attendance at school

As a parent or carer you have an important role to play in your child's education. We strongly encourage and hope that you will get involved in supporting your child's school as this will, in turn, benefit your child's education.

In this booklet you will find:

- the application and admission process for infant, primary, junior and secondary schools
- the admission policies for infant, junior, primary and secondary schools
- general information

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact either the school you have applied to or the Admissions Team via the Helpdesk at the Civic Offices on **023 9268 8008** who will be happy to help you.

We wish your child every success at a Portsmouth school.



**Councillor Hannah Hockaday**Cabinet Member for Education



**Alison Jeffery**Director of Children's Services

### How to use this book

This book contains information for primary and secondary school admission applications. The information has been colour coded to help you find the relevant sections easily.



Information relevant to all applications is contained in the blue sections titled 'Application information'.



Information relating to primary schools only is contained in the green sections titled 'Primary schools'.



Information relating to secondary schools only is contained in the pink sections titled 'Secondary schools'.



Useful information and contact details.







## Transfer to secondary school September 2018/19 open evenings

#### The Portsmouth Academy

Wednesday 20 September 2017

From 6.00pm to 8.00pm

#### **Priory Academy**

**Thursday 21 September 2017** 

From 5.00pm to 8.00pm

#### Trafalgar School

Wednesday 27 September 2017

From 6.00pm to 8.30pm

#### Miltoncross Academy

**Thursday 28 September 2017** 

From 5.30pm to 8.00pm

#### St Edmund's Catholic School

Monday 2 October 2017

From 6.00pm to 8.00pm

#### Admiral Lord Nelson School

**Tuesday 3 October 2017** 

From 6.30pm to 8.30pm

#### King Richard School

**Tuesday 3 October 2017** 

From 4.00pm to 7.00pm

## Mayfield School (secondary section)

Wednesday 4 October 2017

From 6.30pm to 8.30pm

#### Springfield School

**Thursday 5 October 2017** 

From 6.00pm to 8.00pm

#### Charter Academy

Wednesday 11 October 2017

From 5.00pm to 7.00pm

## University Technical College (UTC) Portsmouth

Monday 25 September 2017

From 5.30pm to 7.00pm

Saturday 30 September 2017

From 10.00am to 12.00pm

For infant, junior and primary schools please check school's websites or contact schools see pages 52–55.

## Equal preference flow chart

(This is how school places are allocated)

All preferences are put in to each school's pot



All preferences are ranked against the criteria of the admissions policies of each preferred school. Your preference order **is not** used at this stage

The admissions policies with the criteria are on pages 22–48, as well as information regarding the pattern of applications the previous year on pages 59–64.



Once ranked against the criteria in the admission policies, provisional offers are made for each school up to the number of school places available (PAN).

Again your preference order is not used at this stage

**For example:** you may be a regular worshipping Catholic applying for a Catholic school and be offered that school, you may also have applied for your catchment school and be offered that school, you may have applied for an undersubscribed school where you have no criteria and be offered, ending up with three potential offers at this stage.



At this stage some applicants may end up with more than one school provisionally offered.

Now your preference order is used. By law we must offer your highest possible preference.

Any school places no longer needed (the lower preference schools) are returned to the school's pot to be further allocated to other applicants

**Example A.** You have not been offered preference 1 but have been provisionally offered preference 2 **and** preference 3. The LA **must** discard preference 3, offer (allocate) preference 2 and invite you to join the waiting list for preference 1 for which you have been unsuccessful.

**Example B.** You have been provisionally offered all three preferences. The LA **must** discard preferences 2 and 3 and offer (allocate) preference 1.

## Applying for a school place

This section will help you understand the process of applying for a school place

#### **Co-ordinated admissions process**

Portsmouth City Council (PCC) and other local authorities (LAs) are required to take part in a cross-border co-ordinated admission scheme for main round admissions. This allows parents to complete one application form from their home local authority, regardless of the school and the area they wish to apply for a place in.

This is known as a 'Common Application Form' (CAF).

Portsmouth operates an 'Equal Preference' admissions scheme (see flow chart opposite) in line with government requirements. Further information is contained in the 'How are places allocated?' section on pages 13–14.

#### How to contact us

The information in this book is issued by:

- Admissions Team
   Portsmouth City Council
   Civic Offices
   Guildhall Square
   Portsmouth
   PO1 2FA
- Tel: **023 9268 8008** via city Helpdesk
- Email: admissions@portsmouthcc.gov.uk

#### How to apply for a school

As part of a co-ordinated admission scheme, parents need to complete only one application form for each child.

You can either apply online or by completing a paper application form. This booklet provides information for Portsmouth residents:

- applying for starting school
- transferring to junior school (Year 2 to 3), and
- transferring to secondary school (Year 6 to 7)
- transferring to Year 10 at UTC Portsmouth (see page 47)

Non-Portsmouth residents should contact their home local authority or visit their website for information on applying for a school and the admissions process.

#### **In-year applications**

If you wish to apply for a school place at any other time, please look at the information sheet 'In-year applications—applying for a school place at other times during the school year' and the 'Admission to primary and secondary schools—information for parents 2017—18' booklet.

These are available on our website (www.portsmouth.gov.uk/schooladmissions) or on request from the Admissions Team.

#### Closing dates and allocation dates

There are different closing dates and allocation dates for starting school applications/junior transfer applications and secondary transfer applications.

The closing date for secondary transfer applications is **Tuesday 31 October 2017** and allocation date for these applications is **Thursday 1 March 2018**.

The closing date for starting school and junior transfer applications is **Monday 15 January 2018** and the allocation date for these applications is **Monday 16 April 2018**.



#### **Applying online**

#### Secondary transfer

From Monday 11 September 2017 until Tuesday 31 October 2017 you can apply online at www.portsmouth.gov.uk/schooladmissions

#### Junior transfers

From Monday 11 September 2017 until Monday 15 January 2018 you can apply online at www.portsmouth.gov.uk/schooladmissions

#### Starting School

From Monday 6 November 2017 until Monday 15 January 2018 you can apply online at www.portsmouth.gov.uk/schooladmissions

All you need is access to the Internet and an email address. If you don't have access to the Internet at home you can access the Internet at any city library or at the civic offices.

#### What are the benefits of applying online?

- quick and easy
- you can make changes to your application up to the closing date
- no risk of the application getting lost in the post
- an email acknowledgement of your application as soon as you have submitted it
- an email advising you of the outcome of your application on allocation day
- facility to accept your allocated place straight away
- links to other useful information and websites

#### **Application forms**

#### Portsmouth residents

If for any reason you are unable to apply online you can obtain an application form from us or from any infant, primary or junior school in Portsmouth. You may use this form to apply for any school whether it is in your own or another local authority area.

#### Non-Portsmouth residents

Non-Portsmouth residents who wish their child to attend a Portsmouth school need to contact their home local authority for an application pack. See contact details on page 76.

#### **Starting school**

#### Portsmouth residents

Parents who have children starting school should apply online or request an application pack from the council OR from the nearest infant or primary school. Application packs will be available from **Monday 6 November 2017**.

Please contact us again (see page 9) if you do not receive your application pack within two weeks of your request.

For information on when your child has to start school please see page 68.

## Transferring from Infant to Junior School

Portsmouth residents whose child currently attends a Portsmouth infant school

In September you will receive a letter via your infant school advising you how to apply.



## Portsmouth residents whose child currently attends a school outside Portsmouth

In September you will receive a letter advising you how to apply.

#### **Transferring to secondary school**

### Portsmouth residents whose child currently attends a Portsmouth school

In September you will receive a letter via your child's school advising you about applying.

### Portsmouth residents whose child currently attends a school outside Portsmouth

In September you will receive a letter advising you how to apply online or request an application form.

## Transferring from an infant school (Year 2) to a primary/all through school (Year 3)

You cannot apply for a place in year 3 for a primary or all through school as a junior transfer application (except for 15 places in Year 3 at Copnor Primary School and 30 places in Year 3 at Mayfield All Through School), which are allocated through the junior transfer process). You must apply under the in-year process (see 'In-year applications' on page 9).

As children attending primary schools automatically move into year 3, we will not know whether there are vacancies until after the allocation date for junior schools. Therefore if your child is in an infant school you are strongly advised to apply for a junior place for your child to ensure they have a school

place for Year 3 as well as applying for a primary school through the in-year process.

## Where can I get help to complete the application?

If you require help or would like advice about completing your application please contact us.

#### What are my rights?

You have the right to express a preference for a school. However, this is not a free and open-ended choice. The law says that the local authority must do everything it can to meet your preference within the limits of 'efficient education and the efficient use of resources'.

Whether or not a place can be offered will depend upon the number of other applicants who want places at the school and the number of places available.

If a place is not offered at any of your preferred schools, your child's name will automatically be added to the waiting list for the schools. You will then be asked to confirm if you wish to remain on any waiting lists. You also have a right to appeal to an independent panel.

You can use pages 59–64 as a guide to expressing realistic preferences based on your individual criteria for a school.

## How should I decide on my preferred schools?

Parents submit only one application form stating up to **six** preferences for starting school or up to **three** preferences for junior and secondary. **If parents submit more than one application form then the application with the latest signature and date will be used as the admissions application.** It is therefore important to gain as much information as you can to decide which school to put on your application.

Contact schools direct for a copy of their individual prospectus or view their website (see pages 52 to 56) and for dates of any open days or evenings (see page 7). Copies of inspection reports by the Office for Standards in Education (OFSTED) are available from schools, libraries and from the OFSTED website **www.ofsted.gov.uk**. School performance tables can also be viewed on the Department for Education (DfE) website **www.education.gov.uk** 

You need to be aware that many schools in the city are heavily oversubscribed and this is important to remember when deciding on your preferred schools.

In previous years, at a number of schools in Portsmouth, it has not been possible to meet all preferences. If a school is oversubscribed by the number of applications for places available, the admission policy is used to allocate the places. When considering your preferred schools, you are strongly advised to look at the school's admission policy criteria and consider which category you would come under.

It is important when applying for a school place:

- to understand the order in which places are allocated if a school is oversubscribed by reading the admission policy for the school
- to be aware of your designated catchment school and consider whether this needs to be one of your preferences (it doesn't have to be your first preference school). Please note that transport assistance can only be considered if you have applied for, and been refused a place at your catchment school.

#### Who can apply?

Applications must be made by a parent or carer who holds legal parental responsibility for a child. Only one application should be made per child. Any dispute will have to be resolved between the parties before the LA can process the application.



## The admissions process

This section will help you understand how places are allocated

#### **Proof of address**

We will check the address on your application against the records we hold for your child's current school/nursery and against council tax records. We may also require you to submit proof of address including council tax bills, utility bills, signed tenancy agreement or other specified address evidence on request.

## What are my chances of getting my preferred school place?

This can be difficult to assess as the pattern of applications changes from year to year for each school. It would be unwise to assume that your child is guaranteed a place at a particular school based upon the pattern of applications in previous years. Generally, if a school has been oversubscribed you will need to consider if your child would meet any of the admission policy criteria and the priority of that criterion.

For information on previous years' applications see pages 59–64.

- ! Living in the catchment area does not automatically guarantee a place in a school.
- ! A sibling link at the preferred school does not automatically guarantee a place.
- ! If your child is transferring from infant to junior school or to a secondary school, they are not automatically guaranteed a place if they attend a linked feeder school (see page 58 for feeder schools).
- ! If you are successful in gaining a place at an infant school which is not your catchment school, you may not gain a future place at the junior school that it feeds into as

- catchment is a higher criteria than feeder. This is the same for many of the junior/primary schools who are feeders for secondary schools.
- For children starting school, attendance at a nursery—even on a school's premises—is not a criterion and does not guarantee a place in the school.

#### How are places allocated?

We use an 'Equal Preference Scheme'. This means at the first stage, each of your preferences is considered for that school regardless of your preference order. If a school is oversubscribed by the number of applications, places will be allocated strictly according to the admission criteria stated in the admission policy for that school. If a school is under subscribed then places can be offered to all applicants.

If we are able to potentially offer a place at more than one of your preferences, the place will be allocated at the school which you have ranked the highest.

If a place cannot be offered at any of the preferred schools, a place will be offered at the catchment area school (**if places remain available**), or the next nearest school with places available. Parents will also be advised of alternative schools with places available at that time. Please refer to the 'Equal preference flow chart' on page 8.

Please do not name the same school more than once as this will not increase your chance of obtaining a place at the school and will limit your number of preferences.

If you do not apply to your catchment area school as one of your preferences, you will not automatically be offered a place there if you



are unsuccessful with your other preferences (as your catchment area school may already have filled with preference requests). You need to consider whether your catchment school should be one of your preferences.

Please be aware that you may not be eligible for transport assistance to school if you have not applied for your catchment school.

#### What is an admission policy?

Each school in the city has an admission policy. The policy will describe the order in which places are allocated when there are more applications than places i.e. if a school is oversubscribed.

The admission policies are on pages 22 to 48.

#### Home address for allocation

The address used in the admissions allocation process is the child's permanent residential address on the closing date.

Only one address can be used on the application form and considered as your child's residence for allocation purposes.

#### Children residing within a split family

Parents must nominate one of their addresses as the child's address for the application if the child spends part of the week with each parent. This must be the address of a parent not another family member.

Address checks will be carried out and we may require further evidence (see page 15). In the event of a dispute, the LA will determine residence based on the information it holds and/or where the child benefit is paid. The same address will be used for subsequent applications and waiting lists.

#### Informal residence arrangements

Informal residence arrangements with family and friends will not generally be accepted unless there are exceptional circumstances, for which independent supporting evidence will be required, as specified by the authority.

## What happens if I move house during the application process?

Where families are moving home or have moved recently, it will be necessary to prove that the new address is their main dwelling. Parents will need to produce evidence to confirm occupancy, for example:

- a) that contracts have been exchanged for the purchase of a residential property
- b) details of a lease on such a property or proof of tenancy
- c) council tax bill AND gas, electric or water/ sewage bill

The address used on the application form must be the child's permanent address on the application closing date—Tuesday 31 October 2017 for secondary transfer applicants, and Monday 15 January 2018 for starting school and

Monday 15 January 2018 for starting school and junior transfer applicants. Future addresses will be taken into account for the admissions process if you have exchanged contracts on a property or signed a lease rental agreement before Friday 5 January 2018 for secondary applications and Friday 2 March 2018 for starting school and junior transfer applications, but you must contact us to advise us of your change of address and provide evidence as stated above. If we receive information from the child's school or other sources that your address has changed before the start of the



allocation process, we will contact you to confirm the address we will be using for allocation purposes.

Parents who are moving house but who are unable to provide evidence of this move by the closing date are advised to submit their application on time using their current address and address evidence. The local authority will then amend the application to the new address, if the relevant evidence is received by Friday 5 January 2018 for secondary applications or by Friday 2 March 2018 for starting school and transfer to junior applications. However, if evidence is received after this date, as the allocation process will have begun, the allocation will be based on the previous address. If your application is unsuccessful, your new address will be used if you confirm you wish to remain on the school's waiting list. It is the parent's responsibility to ensure the evidence is received by us by the dates specified.

We will determine the matter of residence, if necessary, and must be satisfied with the evidence provided for an address to be accepted for the purpose of a child's admission to school. Admissions staff will also verify addresses by checking council tax records and by requesting further address evidence direct from parents. We may monitor residency details if claimed addresses including temporary addresses cause concern. Please note places can be withdrawn if the address given is not the child's permanent residence.

#### Children of UK service personnel

For service families moving into the area a letter from the Drafting Officer or an MOD 1132 will be sufficient providing it is received by **Friday 5 January 2018** for secondary applications or by

**Friday 2 March 2018** for starting school and junior transfer applications. Please ensure you indicate on your application that you are a service family. This is important even if you are applying for a school/s which do not give priority for children eligible for service premium.

If you are making a late application, see page 17.

## **Evidence requests and false information**

Evidence supplied at the request of the Admissions Team must be recent. Evidence will not be accepted unless it is received by the required date.

If requests for evidence are not responded to by the required date, the application will either not be considered under that criterion or, if a change of address, the application may be considered using the old address.

Checks are made on the information provided and we will also investigate any allegations of fraudulent addresses. If it is established that false or misleading information has been used in order to gain a place at a school, the law allows local authorities to withdraw places. An example of false information would be the use of an address which is not the child's normal residence. A child's place may be withdrawn even if the child has started at the school. If the child were allowed to remain at the school, any subsequent children within the same household would not benefit from the sibling link criterion.

! It is an offence to give false information to obtain a place at a school.



## Pupils with an Education Health and Care Plan (EHCP)

If a child has a Education Health and Care Plan (previously known as statement of special educational needs) the local authority has a legal duty to consult with the governing body of the parent's preferred school to determine if the school can meet those needs.

The admission limit of each school includes the number of EHCP. These applicants are usually allocated places before the mainstream application process is completed. However, if the EHCP is not completed until after allocation day, the law requires the named school to admit these children over number if necessary.

Further information about SEND and the admissions arrangements for children with an EHCP is available on page 69, or:

Web: www.portsmouth.gov.uk

Phone: **023 9284 1238** 

Email: sen.education@portsmouthcc.gov.uk

## Make sure you apply by the closing date

Your online application or application form must be submitted by the relevant closing date.

Secondary transfer

**Tuesday 31 October 2017** 

Starting school and junior transfer

#### Monday 15 January 2018

! Failure to apply on time will seriously affect your child's chances of being offered a place at your preferred school.

#### **Applying online**

You will receive an email confirming that you have applied. If you do not receive an email you may not have submitted your application. Please go back into your application and submit, or check your spam/junk/trash folder before contacting the Admissions Team.

## Where do I return my application form?

#### Applications for children starting school

If you are unable to apply online, you can complete a paper application form and return it to your first preference school if it's a Portsmouth school. The school will log your application and send it to us via the internal courier service. Alternatively you can return it directly to us at the address on page 9.

## Applications for children transferring to junior school or transferring to secondary school

Applications should be completed online. If you need to complete a paper application form, return it to your child's present school if it's a Portsmouth school. The school will log your application and send it to us via the internal courier service or you can return it directly to us at the address on page 9.

Parents (resident in Portsmouth) of children attending schools outside of the city or independent infant/primary schools should return the form to us at the address on page 9.

! If you are posting your form we recommend you obtain proof of posting. If you hand deliver your form to the civic offices please obtain a receipt.



## Non-Portsmouth residents applying for a Portsmouth School

Parents should apply online through their home local authority's website or return their applications as advised to their home local authority.

For example, if you live in Havant and want to apply to a Portsmouth school you will need to apply to Hampshire County Council and follow their instructions. You can include Portsmouth or other area schools, not just schools from your home local authority.

## How do I know if my application has been received?

If you have applied online, you will receive a confirmation email straight away. If it has been necessary to complete a paper application before the closing date, you will receive a letter to acknowledge receipt of your application form. Please contact us if you do not receive an acknowledgement by January 2018 for secondary transfer applications, or by March 2018 for starting school and junior transfer applications.

## What happens if my application is late? (Received after the relevant closing date)

You will not be able to apply online after the closing date.

All applications received by the closing date will be considered first. Late applications will only be considered after all those applications received on time have been considered and allocated places. A late application, even to your catchment area school, is unlikely to be successful if your preferred schools have been oversubscribed with on time applications. Late applications will also mean that you will have a delay in going onto the school's waiting list as you will have to wait for your application to be processed before this can happen.

If you consider you have significant and exceptional reasons for your late application you will need to put your reasons in writing to us for consideration before **Friday 5 January 2018** for secondary transfer or **Friday 2 March 2018** for starting school or junior transfer.

Late applications will be processed in batches within time frames determined by the LA. Each batch will be allocated under the equal preference scheme (see page 8).

#### Children of UK service personnel

Applications from service families moving into Portsmouth will be accepted as on time until **Friday 5 January 2018** for secondary applications and **Friday 2 March 2018** for starting school or junior transfer providing there is proof of drafting/MOD 1132.

If your application is late and you are applying for a starting school place (Year R), the School Admissions Code allows for admission authorities to consider admitting your child to a school even if it is full (as an excepted pupil). This decision will be based on all the circumstances including those relevant to your family and child and the impact on the school, including the 'efficient education and efficient use of resources'.

The current guidance is that an excepted pupil can only be admitted from the top of the waiting list.



#### Can I change my preferences?

#### BEFORE the closing date

If you are applying online, you can change your preferences online and resubmit your application. You will receive an email confirmation that your application has been resubmitted. We will process the latest application.

If you have submitted a paper application and wish to change the original preferences made on your form before the closing date, you should put your request in writing to us.

#### AFTER the closing date

You are not able to change your preferences after the application closing date. Only additional preferences received in writing may be added which will be considered as late preferences and processed after all the on-time applications.

If you feel you have significant and exceptional reasons for changing your preferences after the closing date you will need to put your reasons in writing to us for consideration before **Friday 5 January 2018** for secondary applications and before **Friday 2 March 2018** for starting school and junior applications.

## When will I know whether my application has been successful?

You will receive an email on allocation day if you have applied online and requested this option.

Other applicants will have a letter sent out to the home address on allocation day.

Emails or letters will also be sent by us on behalf of the governing body of voluntary aided, foundation schools and academies to parents on that date.

Parents need to ensure that the Admissions Team holds the correct address details.

- ! Allocation details will NOT be given over the telephone.
- ! Only parents who have applied online will be able to be notified by email.

## What do I do when I receive notification of allocation?

Parents are required to confirm their acceptance of the place offered via the online response—or if a paper application—in writing by the deadline in your offer information.

Refusing the allocated place making your child unallocated will not increase your chances of getting your preferred school at a later date. You child may also end up being allocated a school place much further away.

If a parent does not confirm their acceptance of the place offered within the time specified, the offer of the place may be withdrawn.

## What can I do if I am not successful in gaining a place at my preferred school(s)?

You can confirm that you wish your child's name to remain on the waiting list and make an appeal to an independent appeal panel.

We strongly recommend accepting the allocated school place if you have opted to remain on a



waiting list and/or lodge an appeal as we cannot guarantee places will be allocated from waiting list or via appeal.

#### Waiting lists

If you have not gained a place at one or more of your preferred schools, we will place your child's name on the school's waiting list and ask you to confirm that you wish your child's name to remain on the waiting list for that academic year. Your child's position on the waiting list will be prioritised according to the admissions criteria in their admissions policies.

Note: there is no distinction between on time applicants and late applicants on the waiting list.

It is important to note that a child's position on the waiting list can change, moving both up or down, as children either join or are removed from the waiting list. No priority is given based on the length of time on the waiting list. They must be ordered by oversubscription criteria.

If you wish your child to remain on a school waiting list please indicate this on your online response or on the response form received with your allocation letter and return it to us by the date specified as places can become available at any time.

Please note: you can have your child's name on more than one waiting list and at the same time as making an appeal to the school.

We manage all waiting lists for starting school, junior transfer and secondary transfer until the end of each academic year (31 August). We also maintain all waiting lists for in-year year groups except for St. Edmund's Catholic School. For this school, please contact them directly with waiting list queries.

#### Appeals process

If we are unable to offer you a place at any of your preferred schools, you have the right of appeal to an independent panel, which is set up under Section 94 of the School Standards and Framework Act 1998. This right of appeal may be for more than one school. You may only appeal where you have applied and have been refused admission to a school. You have 20 school days within which to state that you intend to appeal or by the specified deadline date given in your letter.

If your appeal form is received after the deadline date, we cannot guarantee that your appeal will be heard on time. Appeals for admissions in September are usually heard in April and May for secondary schools and June and July for starting school and junior transfers.

The appeals process is independent and separate from the process followed by the Admissions Team for the allocation of places and for the operation of waiting lists. Successful appellants are allocated a place in a school above the published admission limit by the appeals panel.

Please refer to page 66 for information on the number of appeals upheld for junior transfer last year and previous years. Please refer to page 67 for the number of appeals upheld for secondary transfer last year and previous years.

Please carefully consider and review your grounds for appeal before submitting it.

#### Appeals for admission to infant classes

If you are applying for admission at Key Stage 1 (year groups R, 1 and 2), your grounds for appealing are **limited** because of legislation on statutory legal class size limits. The law only allows



a Key Stage 1 appeal to be upheld where one or more of the following grounds are established:

Ground A: The admission of additional children would not breach the infant class size limit.

Ground B1: The admission arrangements do not comply with admissions law.

Ground B2: The school's admissions arrangements were not correctly and impartially applied.

To be successful under grounds B1 and 2, your child must have been disadvantaged and would otherwise have been offered a place.

Ground C: The decision not to admit your child was a decision that no reasonable authority would make in the circumstances.

The appeal panel are limited to a review of the decision of the LA to refuse a school place based on the information available at the time, so it is important to be clear about your grounds for appeal.

Please refer to page 65 for information on the number of infant appeals upheld for starting school last year and in previous years.

Please carefully consider and review your grounds for appeal before submitting it.

#### Where can I get my appeal form?

Please request a form from the Admissions Team or download a form from the website.

## How many times can I appeal for a particular school?

If your appeal is unsuccessful, you cannot appeal for a place at the same school in the same academic year again unless there is a significant and material change in your circumstances. A significant and material change in your circumstances would be, for example, if you moved into the designated catchment area for your preferred school or if a brother or sister of the child you have made an application for, is offered a place in another year group at the school. You would need to notify the Admissions Team of any change in circumstances prior to lodging a further appeal.

You can, of course, remain on the waiting list for a school even if your appeal was unsuccessful.

## Schools and admissions policies

This section gives information on schools in Portsmouth and their admissions policies

#### Types of school

#### Community schools

These are maintained by Portsmouth City Council as the local authority. These are run by the headteacher and governors in partnership with the city council. The council is responsible for the admission policy and admissions.

#### Voluntary controlled schools

These were originally set up by bodies such as the Church of England or Roman Catholic Church but are now maintained by Portsmouth City Council as the local authority. These are run by the headteacher and governors in partnership with the city council. The council is responsible for the admission policy and admissions.

#### Voluntary aided schools

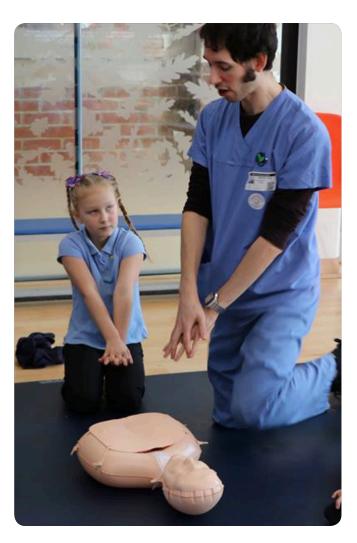
These were originally set up by bodies such as the Church of England or Roman Catholic Church and are jointly funded by the Church Diocesan Boards and the city council. The governors are responsible for their admission policy and admissions.

#### Foundation schools

These were formerly grant maintained schools but are now maintained by the council. The governors are responsible for their admission policy and admissions.

#### **Academies**

Academies are publicly funded, non-selective schools that operate within the state system although they are independently governed. Academies are responsible for their admission policies and admissions.



#### Enquiries for more information

All schools are pleased to receive enquiries and can provide an individual prospectus. They are happy to meet parents but you must arrange an appointment first. There is also lots of information on individual schools on their websites.

The LA is required to coordinate all admissions applications for the main point of entry in September for Year R, Year 3 (Infant–Junior only) and Year 7.

## Infant, primary and junior schools admissions policies

This section contains information on schools' admissions policies for 2018/19

#### **Infant Schools (including academies)**

This policy will apply to all admissions for the academic year 2018/19 including in-year applications. For details of Published Admission Numbers (PAN' s) for each community infant school please refer to list on pages 52–55.

If the school is oversubscribed, applications will be considered first according to the priorities in the order set out below:

- Children who are looked after by a local authority (i.e. in their care or provided with accommodation by the authority for a continuous period of more than 24 hours).
   Children who were previously looked after but immediately following being looked after became subject to an adoption order, residence or special guardianship order.
- 2) Children or families who have a significant medical, physical, psychological or social need. Evidence must be attached with the application form. Applications under this criterion must be supported by written evidence from an appropriate professional involved stating clearly why the preferred school is the most appropriate for the child and reasons why other schools in the city are inappropriate. All applications received under this category are considered by a multi-disciplinary team of the local authority.
- 3) Children living within the school's designated catchment area. (If the school cannot admit all applications from the catchment area, applicants will be ranked within this category in accordance with the priorities below.)





- 4) Children living outside the school's catchment area in the following priority order:
  - children who have a brother or sister (living within the same household) at the school or an adjacent junior school in the following academic year.
    - Note: this category includes step-brothers/ step-sisters, adoptive brothers/sisters living within the same household or children whose parents are married or cohabiting and live together within the same household
  - ii) children eligible for service premium Note: service premium is paid to eligible children of armed services personnel under S14 of the Education Act 2002
  - iii) children of staff employed at the school (or school on an adjacent site)
    - a) where the member of staff has been employed at the school for 2 or more years at the time at which the application is made, and or

- b) the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage
- iv) children who live closest to the school, based on the shortest distance from home to school, measured on a straight line 'as the crow flies'. (This distance will be used where necessary to prioritise applications). Should there be two or more identical distances requiring prioritisation, this will be done by casting lots.

Note: should the school be oversubscribed from within any of the criteria, then any additional criteria will be used to prioritise applications within these categories.

Note: Attendance at a linked / on-site nursery is not a criteria for a starting school application

#### All Community and Voluntary Controlled Primary Schools and the following Academies: Arundel Court Primary, Flying Bull Primary, Gatcombe Park Primary, Highbury Primary and Westover Primary

This policy will apply to all admissions for the academic year 2018/19 including in-year applications. Please see a list of primary schools and their published admission numbers (PAN's) on pages 52–55.

If the school is oversubscribed, applications will be considered first according to the following priorities in the order set out below:

- Children who are looked after by a local authority (i.e. in their care or provided with accommodation by the authority for a continuous period of more than 24 hours).
   Children who were previously looked after but immediately following being looked after became subject to an adoption order, residence or special guardianship order.
- 2) Children or families who have a significant medical, physical, psychological or social need. Evidence must be attached with the application form. Applications under this criterion must be supported by written evidence from an appropriate professional involved stating clearly why the preferred school is the most appropriate for the child and reasons why other schools in the city are inappropriate. All applications received under this category are considered by a multi-disciplinary team of the local authority.
- 3) Children whose parents have a religious conviction for attending St Jude's Church of England Primary School only. Supporting evidence must be submitted with the application on the supplementary form provided, signed by the appropriate religious leader. Applicable to St Judes CE Primary only.

- 4) Children living within the school's designated catchment area. (If the school cannot admit all applications from the catchment area, applicants will be ranked within this category in accordance with the priorities below.)
- 5) Children whose parents have a religious conviction for attending St George's Beneficial Church of England Primary School only. Supporting evidence must be submitted with the application on the supplementary form provided, signed by the appropriate religious leader. Applicable to St Georges Beneficial CE School only.
- 6) Children living outside the school's catchment area in the following priority order:
  - i) children who have a brother or sister (living within the same household) already on roll and who will still be attending the school the following academic year;
    Note: this category includes step-brothers/ step-sisters, adoptive brothers/sisters living within the same household or children whose parents are married or cohabiting and live together within the same household
  - ii) children eligible for service premium Note: service premium is paid to eligible children of armed services personnel under S14 of the Education Act 2002
  - iii) children of staff employed at the school
    - a) where the member of staff has been employed at the school for 2 or more years at the time at which the application is made, and or
    - the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage



iv) children who live closest to the school, based on the shortest distance from home to school, measured on a straight line 'as the crow flies'. (This distance will be used where necessary to prioritise applications). Should there be two or more identical distances requiring prioritisation, this will be done by casting lots.

NOTE: Should the school be oversubscribed from within any of the criteria above, then any additional criteria will be used to prioritise applications within these categories.

Note: Attendance at a linked / on-site nursery is not a criteria for a starting school application

#### **Ark Ayrton Primary Academy/Ark Dickens Primary Academy**

Admissions policies relating to admissions to these academies in the academic year 2018/19 (for a full copy of the policy and explanatory notes please go to the academy's website)

Each academy has an agreed PAN of 60 pupils in the Reception year. After the allocation of reception places, the academy will admit 'rising fives', i.e. all children with places can be admitted to the reception year at school in the September following their fourth birthday but before reaching compulsory school age.

#### Oversubscription criteria

Where the academy is named on a pupil's Statement of Special Educational Needs or Education and Health Care Plan, that child will be admitted by the academy. If the number of applications for admission to the primary school is greater than the PAN, applications will be considered against the criteria and order set out below:

- a) Looked After children and children who have been previously looked after (pursuant to the Admissions Code).
- b) Children of staff at the school where there is a demonstrable skill shortage—Children of members of staff will have priority in the oversubscription criteria if the staff member is filling a post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. Ark Schools are required to approve the Principal's designation of such posts and confirm the assessment that a member of staff appointed meets the requirements of the shortage. Priority will be limited to one place for each form of entry in any year.

- c) Children who at the time of the admission have a sibling who attends the academy. For this purpose "sibling" means a whole, half or step-brother/-sister or an adopted child resident at the same address. In respect of applications to the primary school, the fact that an applicant has a sibling attending the nursery school will not be a factor giving rise to priority.
- d) Children of staff in the school—Where there is no demonstrable skill shortage, priority may be given where the academy is oversubscribed to a child of a person who will have been employed in the academy for two or more years at the time the application for admission is made. Priority will be limited to one place for each form of entry in any year.
- e) Children living in the schools designated catchment area. A map of the area is available at the academy. A child's home will be the address at which the child normally resides and which has been notified to the academy and other relevant agencies as being the child's normal place of residence. Where it is necessary to prioritise applications within this category the shortest distance from the childs home to school, measured in a straight line distance will be used.
- f) Children living outside the catchment area—A child's home will be the address at which the child normally resides and which has been notified to the academy and other relevant agencies as being the child's normal place of residence.

Note: Attendance at a linked / on-site nursery is not a criteria for a starting school application

 i) in those cases where the relevant LA measures distance on behalf of Ark Schools, the method they adopt for measurement and also selection between equal applicants and those living in flats will apply.

#### Tie breaker

If Ark Schools is unable to distinguish between applicants using the published criteria, including those who live in blocks of flats with the same building entrance, places will be offered via a random draw which will be supervised by someone independent of the academy.

Note: In the case of multiple births or brothers and sisters in the same year group, where there is only one place available in the academy, both will be considered together as one application.

#### **Beacon View Primary Academy and The Victory Primary Academy**

For a full copy of the policy and explanatory notes please go to each academy's website

This policy will apply to all admissions for the academic year 2018/19 including in-year applications. The Published Admission Number (PAN) for these academies is 60. If the schools are oversubscribed, applications will be considered first according to the following priorities in the order set out below:

- Children who are looked after by a local authority (i.e. in their care or provided with accommodation by the authority for a continuous period of more than 24 hours).
   Children who were previously looked after but immediately following being looked after became subject to an adoption order, residence or special guardianship order.
- 2) Children or families who have a significant medical, physical, psychological or social need. Evidence must be attached with the application form. Applications under this criterion must be supported by written evidence from an appropriate professional involved stating clearly why the preferred school is the most appropriate for the child and reasons why other schools in the city are inappropriate. All applications received under this category are considered by a multi-disciplinary team of the local authority.
- 3) Children living within the school's designated catchment area. If the school cannot admit all applications from the catchment area, applicants will be ranked within this category in accordance with priorities below.

- 4) Children living outside the school's catchment area in the following priority order:
  - i) children who have a brother or sister (living within the same household) already on roll and who will still be attending the school the following year;
    Note: this category includes step-brothers/ step-sisters, adoptive brothers/sisters living within the same household or children whose parents are married or cohabiting and live together within the same household.
  - ii) children who live closest to the school, based on the shortest distance from home to school, measured on a straight line 'as the crow flies'. (This distance will be used where necessary to prioritise applications). Should there be two or more identical distances requiring prioritisation, this will be done by casting lots.

NOTE: Should the school be oversubscribed from within any of the criteria above, then any additional criteria will be used to prioritise applications within these categories.

Note: Attendance at a linked / on-site nursery is not a criteria for a starting school application

#### **Catholic primary schools**

For a full copy of the policy and explanatory notes please visit each school's website.

Corpus Christi, St John's, St Paul's and St Swithun's are voluntary aided schools in the trusteeship of the Diocese of Portsmouth. They are maintained by Portsmouth Local Authority (LA). The schools were founded by and are part of the Catholic Church. The schools are conducted as Catholic schools in accordance with canon law, the teachings of the Catholic Church and the Trust Deed of the Diocese of Portsmouth. The schools offer a Catholic education serving the Catholic communities in the Portsmouth Pastoral Area incorporating the parishes of St John's Cathedral, Corpus Christi with St Joseph, Our Lady of Lourdes and St Swithun and St Colman with St Paul. Although Catholic children have priority of admission, the governing bodies of Corpus Christi, St John's, St Paul's and St Swithun's also welcome applications from those of other denominations and faiths who support the religious ethos of the schools.

The admissions process for all schools in the city is co-ordinated by the LA. However, the Governing Body of each Catholic school is its own Admission Authority and is responsible for determining the School's admission policy. The four Catholic primary schools work closely with each other and with the support of the LA and Diocese have agreed the following policy for 2018–2019.

The Governing Body of each school will admit children, who will attain the age of 5 years during the school year **1 September 2018** to **31 August 2019**, up to its published admission number (PAN).

The PAN for each school is as follows:

Corpus Christi 45
St John's 30
St Paul's 60
St Swithun's 45

#### Corpus Christi Catholic Primary School, St John's Cathedral Catholic Primary School, St Swithun's Catholic Primary School

Should there be more applications than places available at any one of the schools Corpus Christi, St. John's or St. Swithun's the governing body of that school will admit children in the following category order:

- 1) Baptised Catholic looked after children and previously looked after children (see explanatory notes\*).
- Baptised Catholic children of parents who have attended **Sunday** Mass weekly in a Catholic community for the last year at the point at which the Supplementary Information Form is signed.
- 3) Baptised Catholic children of parents who have attended **Sunday** Mass at least monthly in a Catholic community for the last year at the point at which the Supplementary Information Form is signed.
- 4) Baptised Catholic children of parents who have attended **Sunday** Mass less than monthly in a Catholic community for the last year at the point at which the Supplementary Information Form is signed.
- 5) Looked after children and previously looked after children who are not baptised Catholic (see explanatory notes\*).

- 6) Other children who are not baptised Catholic of a baptised Catholic parent who has attended **Sunday** Mass weekly in a Catholic community for the last year at the point at which the Supplementary Information Form is signed (see explanatory notes\*).
- 7) Other children who are not baptised Catholic of a baptised Catholic parent who have attended **Sunday** Mass at least monthly in a Catholic community for the last year at the point at which the Supplementary Information Form is signed (see explanatory notes\*).
- 8) Other children who are not baptised Catholic of a baptised Catholic parent who have attended **Sunday** Mass less than monthly in a Catholic community for the last year at the point at which the Supplementary Information Form is signed (see explanatory notes\*).
- 9) Siblings of children at the school at the intended time of entry (see explanatory notes\*).
- 10) Children who are active members of other Christian denominations (see explanatory notes\*).
- 11) Children who are active members of other faith traditions.
- 12) Other applications.

Should there be more applicants than places available in any one of the above categories priority will be given in the following order:

- a) Siblings (see explanatory notes\*).
- b) Distance (see explanatory notes\*).

#### St Paul's Catholic Primary School

Should there be more applications than places available at St Paul's School, the governing body will admit children in the following category order:

- 1) Baptised Catholic looked after children and previously looked after children (see explanatory notes\*).
- 2) Baptised Catholic children (see explanatory notes\*).
- Looked after children and previously looked after children who are not baptised Catholic (see explanatory notes\*).
- Other children who are not baptised Catholic of a baptised Catholic parent (see explanatory notes\*).
- 5) Siblings of children at the school at the intended time of entry(see explanatory notes\*).
- 6) Children who are members of other Christian denominations (see explanatory notes\*).
- 7) Children from other faith traditions.
- 8) Other applications.

Should there be more applicants than places available in any one of the above categories priority will be given in the following order:

- a) Siblings (see explanatory notes\*).
- b) Distance (see explanatory notes\*).

\*To view each school's explanatory notes please visit their individual website or contact the Admissions Team.

Note: Attendance at a linked / on-site nursery is not a criteria for a starting school application

## All Community Junior Schools and Academies (except Lyndhurst Junior School see page 32)

This policy will apply to all admissions for the academic year 2018/19 including in-year applications. Please see list of junior schools and their published admission numbers (PAN's) on pages 52–55.

If the school is oversubscribed, applications will be considered first according to the priorities in the order set out below:

- Children who are looked after by a local authority (i.e. in their care or provided with accommodation by the authority for a continuous period of more than 24 hours). Children who were previously looked after but immediately following being looked after became subject to an adoption order,
- 2) Children or families who have a significant medical, physical, psychological or social need. Evidence must be attached. Applications under this criterion must be supported by written evidence from an appropriate professional involved stating clearly why the preferred school is the most appropriate for the child and reasons why other schools in the city are inappropriate. All applications received under this category are considered by a multi-disciplinary team of the local authority.
- 3) Children living within the school's designated catchment area. (If the school cannot admit all applications from the catchment area, applicants will be ranked within this category in accordance with priorities below.
- 4) Children living outside the school's catchment area in the following priority order:
  - i) children who have a brother or sister (living in the same household) at the school or an adjacent infant school the following academic year.

- Note: this category includes step-brothers/ step-sisters, adoptive brothers/sisters living within the same household or children whose parents are married or cohabiting and live together within the same household.
- ii) children eligible for service premium Note: service premium is paid to eligible children of armed services personnel under \$14 of the Education Act 2002
- iii) children of staff employed at the school (or school on an adjacent site)
  - a) where the member of staff has been employed at the school for 2 or more years at the time at which the application is made, and or
  - b) the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage
- iv) children attending, at the time of application, a named feeder infant school; Please see list of feeder infant schools on page 58.
- v) children who live closest to the school, based on the shortest distance from home to school, measured 'as the crow flies'. (This distance will be used where necessary to prioritise applications).

  Should there be two or more identical distances requiring prioritisation, this will be done by casting lots.

NOTE: Should the school be oversubscribed from within any of the criteria above, then any additional criteria will be used to prioritise applications within these categories.

#### **Lyndhurst Junior School (Academy)**

For a full copy of the policy and explanatory notes please go to the academy website.

Lyndhurst Junior School is an academy with an admission number of 120 for the year 2018–2019. Although the school is an academy it participates in the local authority co-ordinated scheme for admissions and all dates and procedures within that scheme will apply.

Lyndhurst is an inclusive school and welcome all applications. There is no guarantee of a place for children living in the catchment area or attending feeder infant schools and you must make an application to attend Lyndhurst Junior School (Academy). The school will admit from outside the area if there are spaces available.

Admission to the school is not dependent on ability or voluntary financial contribution. Children are expected to take part in all National Curriculum subjects including R.E.

If the school is oversubscribed, applications will be prioritised in order of the criteria below:

- Children who are looked after by a local authority (i.e. in their care or provided with accommodation by the authority for a continuous period of more than 24 hours).
   Children who were previously looked after but immediately following being looked after became subject to an adoption order, residence or special guardianship order.
- 2) Children living within the school's designated catchment area. (If the school cannot admit all applications from the catchment area, applicants will be ranked within this category in

- accordance with priorities 3(i) to (v) below.) This category includes step-brothers/step-sisters, adoptive brothers/sisters living within the same household or children whose parents are married or cohabiting and live together within the same household.
- 3) Children living outside the school's catchment area in the following priority order:
  - children who have a brother or sister (living in the same household) already on roll and who will still be attending the school or on roll or offered a place for September 2018 at College Park Infant school the following year;
    - Note: this category includes step-brothers/ step-sisters, adoptive brothers/sisters living within the same household or children whose parents are married or cohabiting and live together within the same household.
  - ii) children eligible for service premium Note: service premium is paid to eligible children of armed services personnel under \$14 of the Education Act 2002
  - iii) children of staff employed at the school (or school on an adjacent site) where
    - a) the member of staff has been employed at the school for 2 or more years when the application is made, and/or
    - b) the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage

- iv) children attending, at the time of application, College Park Infant School.
- v) children who live closest to the school, based on the shortest distance from home to school, measured 'as the crow flies'. (This distance will be used where necessary to prioritise applications).

NOTE: Should the school be oversubscribed from within any of the criteria 3(i) to 3(iii) above, then any additional criteria as given in 3(i) to 3(iv) will be used to prioritise applications within these categories.

#### **Mayfield All Through School**

This policy will apply to all admissions for the academic year 2018/19 including in-year applications. Mayfield has a published admission number (PAN) of 60 for entry into Year R, Year 3–30 additional places for junior transfer, and 200 for Year 7.

There are three points of main phase entry for this school in 2018/19 to Year R, Year 3 and to the secondary phase in Year 7. This policy applies to all cohorts.

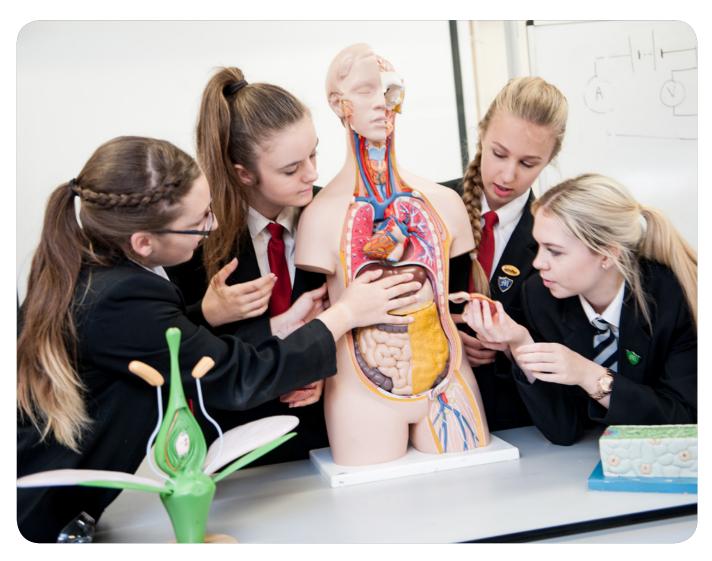
If the school is oversubscribed, applications will be considered according to the following priorities in the order set out below:—

- Children who are looked after by a local authority (i.e. in their care or provided with accommodation by the authority for a continuous period of more than 24 hours).
   Children who were previously looked after but immediately following being looked after became subject to an adoption order, residence or special guardianship order.
- 2) Children or families who have a significant medical, physical, psychological or social need. Evidence must be attached with the application. Applications under this criterion must be supported by written evidence from an appropriate professional person involved stating clearly why the preferred school is the most appropriate for the child and reasons why other schools in the city are inappropriate. Applications received under this category are considered by a multi-disciplinary team of the local authority.

- 3) Children of staff employed at the school where
  - a) the member of staff has been employed at the school for 2 or more years when the application is made, and/or
  - b) the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage
- 4) Children eligible for service premium
  Note: service premium is paid to eligible
  children of armed services personnel under S14
  of the Education Act 2002
- 5) Children living within the school's designated catchment area. (If the school cannot admit all applications from the catchment area, applicants will be ranked within this category in accordance with priorities below)
- 6) Children living outside the school's catchment area in the following priority order:
  - i) children who have a brother or sister (living within the same household) already on roll and who will still be attending the school the following academic year;
    Note: this category does include step-brothers/step-sisters, adoptive brothers/sisters living within the same household or children whose parents are married or cohabiting and live together within the same household.
  - ii) children attending a feeder junior/primary school; Please see a list of feeder junior/primary schools. Please note this criterion is only available to secondary transfer applications.

iii) children who live closest to the school, based on the shortest distance from home to school, measured on a straight line (This distance will be used where necessary to prioritise applications).

Note: Should the school be oversubscribed from within any of the criteria above, then any additional criteria will be used to prioritise applications within these categories.



## Secondary school admissions policies

This section contains information on each school's admissions policy

#### **Admiral Lord Nelson School**

For a full copy of the policy and explanatory notes please go to the academy website. The Published Admission Number (PAN) is 220 for Year 7 2018.

If the school is oversubscribed, applications will be considered first according to the following priorities in the order set out below:

- Children who are looked after by a local authority (i.e. in their care or provided with accommodation by the authority for a continuous period of more than 24 hours).
   Children who were previously looked after but immediately following being looked after became subject to an adoption order, residence or special guardianship order.
- 2) Children or families who have a significant medical, physical, psychological or social need. Evidence must be attached with the application. Applications under this criterion must be supported by written evidence from an appropriate professional involved stating clearly why the preferred school is the most appropriate for the child and reasons why other schools in the city are inappropriate. All applications received under this category are considered by a multi-disciplinary team of the local authority.
- 3) Children living within the school's designated catchment area. If the school cannot admit all applications from the catchment area, priorities 4i to 4iv, will be used.
- 4) Children living outside the school's catchment area in the following priority order:
  - i) children who have a brother or sister (living within the same household) already on roll

- and who will still be attending the school the following academic year, Note: this category does include step-brothers/step-sisters, adoptive brothers/ sisters living within the same household or children whose parents are married or cohabiting and live together within the same household.
- ii) children attending a feeder junior/primary school, these are Copnor Primary, Westover Primary and Gatcombe Park Primary
- iii) children who are eligible for service premium Note: service premium is paid to eligible children of armed services personnel under \$14 of the Education Act 2002:
- iv) children who live closest to the school, based on the shortest distance from home to school, measured 'as the crow flies'. Note: should the school be oversubscribed from within any of the criteria 4i to 4iii above, then any additional criteria as given in 4i–iv, will be used to prioritise applications within these categories. Should there be two or more identical distances requiring prioritisation, this will be done by casting lots.



Note: PANS for other year groups in 2018 are: Year 8: 220, Year 9: 200, Year 10 & Year 11: 180

# **Trafalgar School**

For a full copy of the policy and explanatory notes please go to the academy's website.

The published admission number (PAN) is 200 and both boys and girls are welcome to apply for Year 7 in September 2018/19. For in-year applications made during the academic year 2017/18, Years 7, 8, 9 and 10 are co-educational and year 11 is boys only.

If the school is oversubscribed, applications will be considered according to the priorities in the order set out below.

- Children who are looked after by the Local Authority (i.e. in their care or provided with accommodation by the authority for a continuous period of more than 24 hours).
   Children who were previously looked after but immediately following being looked after became subject to an adoption order, residence or special guardianship order.
- 2) Children or families who have a significant medical, physical, psychological or social need. Evidence must be attached with the application.





Applications under this criterion must be supported by written evidence from an appropriate professional involved stating clearly why the preferred school is the most appropriate for the child and reasons why other schools in the city are inappropriate. All applications received under this category are considered by a multi-disciplinary team of the local authority.

- 3) Children living within the school's designated catchment area (shared with Mayfield School). If the school cannot admit all applications from the catchment area, priorities 4i to 4iii, will be used.
- 4) Children living outside the school's catchment area in the following priority order:
  - i) children who have a brother or sister (living within the same household) already on roll and who will still be attending the school the following academic year:

    Note: this category does include step-brothers/sistep-sisters, adoptive brothers/sisters living within the same household or children whose parents are married or cohabiting and live together within the same household.

- ii) children attending a feeder junior/primary school (Isambard Brunel Junior, Lyndhurst Junior, Newbridge Junior, Northern Parade Junior, Stamshaw Junior),
- iii) children who are eligible for service premium.Note: service premium is paid to eligible children of armed services personnel under \$14 of the Education Act 2002.
- iv) children who live closest to the school, based on the shortest distance from home to school, measured 'as the crow flies'.(This distance will be used where necessary to prioritise applications, see additional information).

Note: should the school be oversubscribed from within any of the criteria 4i to 4iii above, then any additional criteria as given in 4i-iv, will be used to prioritise applications within these categories. Should there be two or more identical distances requiring prioritisation, this will be done by casting lots.

### **Charter Academy**

For a full copy of the policy and explanatory notes please go to the academy website.

The academy is a Church of England Secondary School.

The academy has an agreed PAN of 180 pupils in Year 7.

### Oversubscription criteria

Where the academy is named on a pupil's Statement of Special Educational Needs or Education and Health Care Plan, that child will be admitted by the academy. If the number of applications for admission to the secondary school is greater than the PAN, applications will be considered against the criteria and order set out below:

- a) Looked After Children and children who have been previously looked after (pursuant to the Admissions Code).
- b) Children of staff at the school where there is a demonstrable skill shortage—Children of members of staff will have priority in the oversubscription criteria if the staff member is filling a post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. Ark Schools is required to approve the Principal's designation of such posts and confirm the assessment that a member of staff appointed meets the requirements of the shortage. Priority will be limited to one place for each form of entry in any year.
- c) Children who at the time of the admission have a sibling who attends the academy. For this purpose "sibling" means a whole, half or step-brother or—sister or an adopted child resident at the same address.

- d) Children of staff in the school–Where there is no demonstrable skill shortage, priority may be given where the academy is oversubscribed to a child of a person who will have been employed in the academy for two or more years at the time the application for admission is made. Priority will be limited to one place for each form of entry in any year.
- e) Pupils who live in the catchment area for the academy, which is defined as: south of and including both sides of Kingston Crescent; west of centre of Kingston Road and Fratton Road; west of and excluding Victoria Road North; west of centre of Victoria Road South, Lennox Road South and Clarence Parade down to Jack Cockerill Way then south of Clarence Parade and part of South Parade. A map of the area will be available at the academy and on the website.
  - i) where there are more applicants than available places in the catchment, priority will be given to children attending a feeder school listed in f below.
  - ii) children will then be ordered by straight line distance.
- f) Children living outside the catchment area but currently attending one of the following primary schools children will be prioritised by straight line distance between home address and Charter Academy:
  - i) Ark Ayrton Primary Academy
  - ii) Ark Dickens Primary Academy
  - iii) Arundel Court Primary School
  - iv) Cottage Grove Primary School
  - v) Flying Bull Primary Academy

- vi) St George's Beneficial CE Primary School
- vii) St Jude's CE Primary School
- g) Distance measurement—A child's home will be the address at which the child normally resides and which has been notified to the academy and other relevant agencies as being the child's normal place of residence.

Portsmouth City Council measures distance on behalf of Ark Schools, the method they adopt for measurement and also selection between equal applicants and those living in flats will apply.

Tie breaker: If Ark Schools is unable to distinguish between applicants using the published criteria, including those who live in blocks of flats with the same building entrance, places will be offered via a random draw which will be supervised by someone independent of the academy.

## **King Richard School**

For a full copy of the policy and explanatory notes please go to the school's website.

The Published Admission Number (PAN) is 200.

If the school is oversubscribed, applications will be considered first according to the following priorities in the order set out below:

- Children who are looked after by a local authority (i.e. in their care or provided with accommodation by the authority for a continuous period of more than 24 hours).
   Children who were previously looked after but immediately following being looked after became subject to an adoption order, residence or special guardianship order.
- 2) Children or families who have a significant medical, physical, psychological or social need. Evidence must be attached with the application. Applications under this criterion must be supported by written evidence from an appropriate professional involved stating clearly why the preferred school is the most appropriate for the child and reasons why other schools in the city are inappropriate. All applications received under this category are considered by a multi-disciplinary team of the local authority.
- 3) Children living within the school's designated catchment area. If the school cannot admit all applications from the catchment area, priorities 4i to 4iii, will be used.
- 4) Children living outside the school's catchment area in the following priority order:
  - children who have a brother or sister (living within the same household) already on roll and who will still be attending the school the following academic year:

- Note: this category includes step-brothers/ step-sisters, adoptive brothers/sisters living within the same household or children whose parents are married or cohabiting and live together within the same household.
- ii) children attending a feeder junior/primary school;
- iii) children who live closest to the school, based on the shortest distance from home to school, measured 'as the crow flies'. (This distance will be used where necessary to prioritise applications). Should there be two or more identical distances requiring prioritisation, this will be done by casting lots.

NOTE: should the school be oversubscribed from within any of the criteria 4(i) to 4(ii) above, then any additional criteria as given in 4(ii) to 4(iii) will be used to prioritise applications within these categories.



### **Miltoncross Academy**

For a full copy of the policy and explanatory notes please go to the academy website.

The Published Admission Number (PAN) is 200. If the school is oversubscribed, applications will be considered first according to the following priorities in the order set out below:

- Children who are looked after by a local authority (i.e. in their care or provided with accommodation by the authority for a continuous period of more than 24 hours).
   Children who were previously looked after but immediately following being looked after became subject to an adoption order, residence or special guardianship order.
- 2) Children or families who have a significant medical, physical, psychological or social need. Evidence must be attached with the application. Applications under this criterion must be supported by written evidence from an appropriate professional person involved stating clearly why the preferred school is the most appropriate for the child and reasons why other schools in the city are inappropriate. Applications received under this category are considered by a multi-disciplinary team of the local authority.
- 3) Children living within the school's designated catchment area. If the school cannot admit all applications from the catchment area, priorities 4(i) to (iii) will be used.

- 4) Children living outside the school's catchment area in the following priority order:
  - i) children who have a brother or sister (living within the same household) already on roll and who will still be attending the school the following year;
    Note: this category includes step-brothers/ step-sisters, adoptive brothers/sisters living within the same household or children whose parents are married or cohabiting and live together within the same household.
  - ii) children attending a feeder junior/primary school;
  - iii) children who live closest to the school, based on the shortest distance from home to school, measured 'as the crow flies'. (This distance will be used where necessary to prioritise applications).

    Note: Should a school be oversubscribed from within any of the criteria 4 (i) to 4 (ii) above, then any additional criteria as given in 4 (i) to 4 (iii) will be used to prioritise applications within these categories. Should there be two or more identical distances requiring prioritisation, this will be done by casting lots.

# **The Portsmouth Academy**

For a full copy of the policy and explanatory notes please go to the academy website.

The Portsmouth Academy (formerly Portsmouth Academy for Girls and part of the Thinking Schools Academy Trust) is a co-educational school from September 2017 (Years 9–11 will remain as single sex for 2018–19) and has no defined catchment area; applications are welcome from anywhere in Portsmouth and the surrounding area.

Where the Academy is named on a student's Statement of Special Educational Needs or Education, Health and Care Plan, the student will be admitted by the Academy.

If the number of applications for admission to the Academy is greater than the Published Admissions Number (PAN) of 225, places will be allocated in the following priority order:

- Looked After Children and children who have been previously looked after, but following being looked after became subject to an adoption order, residence order or special guardianship order\*.
- 2) Children who, at the time of the admission, have a sibling who attends the Academy. For this purpose, "sibling" means a whole, half or step-sister or brother, or an adopted child resident at the same address. The Academy will also include in this criterion children whose parents are married or cohabiting and live together within the same household. In the case of multiple births or siblings in the same year group, where there is only one place available in the Academy, the other child/ children will be offered place above PAN.

- 3) Children who attend Newbridge Junior School (part of the Thinking Schools Academy Trust), which has an annex for Year 6 children on the Academy site.
- 4) Children who attend Isambard Brunel Junior School (part of the Thinking Schools Academy Trust).
- 5) Children of staff at the school where there is a demonstrable skill shortage—priority will be given to the children of members of staff if the staff member is filling a post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. TSAT will be required to approve the Principal's designation of such posts and confirm the assessment that a member of staff appointed meets the requirements of the shortage.
- 6) Children of staff at the school: priority will be given to the child of a person who has been employed in the Academy for two or more years at the time the application is made.
  - If the school is over-subscribed from within any of the above categories (1) to (6) then distance as described in Category (7) will be used to prioritise applications.
- 7) Children who live closest to the school.

  Distance will be based on the shortest distance from home to school, measured in a straight line, using the LA Geographical Information System. Should there be two or more identical distances requiring prioritisation, this will be done by casting lots by an independent party such as the LA Admissions Team.

<sup>\*</sup>Looked after Children are defined as being in the LA's care or provided with accommodation by the authority for a continuous period of more than 24 hours

### **Priory School (Academy)**

For a full copy of the policy and explanatory notes please go to the academy website.

The Published Admission Number (PAN) is 250.

If the school is oversubscribed, applications will be considered first according to the following priorities in the order set out below:

- Children who are looked after by a local authority (i.e. in their care or provided with accommodation by the authority for a continuous period of more than 24 hours).
   Children who were previously looked after but immediately following being looked after became subject to an adoption order, residence or special guardianship order.
- 2) Children or families who have a significant medical, physical, psychological or social need. Evidence must be attached with the application. Applications under this criterion must be supported by written evidence from an appropriate professional involved stating clearly why the preferred school is the most appropriate for the child and reasons why other schools in the city are inappropriate. All applications received under this category are considered by a multi-disciplinary team of the local authority.
- 3) Children living within the school's designated catchment area. If the school cannot admit all applications from the catchment area, priorities 4i to 4iii, will be used.
- 4) Children living outside the school's catchment area in the following priority order:
  - i) Children who have a brother or sister (living within the same household) already on roll and who will still be attending the school the following academic year:

- Note: this category includes step-brothers/ step-sisters, adoptive brothers/sisters living within the same household or children whose parents are married or cohabiting and live together within the same household.
- ii) Children attending a feeder junior/primary school;
- iii) Children who live closest to the school, based on the shortest distance from home to school, measured 'as the crow flies'. (This distance will be used where necessary to prioritise applications).
  Should there be two or more identical distances requiring prioritisation, this will be done by casting lots.

NOTE: Should the school be oversubscribed from within any of the criteria 4(i) to 4(ii) above, then any additional criteria as given in 4(i) to 4(iii) will be used to prioritise applications within these categories.

# St Edmund's Catholic School (voluntary aided)

For a full copy of the policy and explanatory notes please go to the academy website.

The Published Admission Number (PAN) for 2018/19 is 189.

Should there be more applicants than places available based on the evidence provided with each application, the governors will use the criteria for admission to place every applicant in one of the categories listed below. The order of the categories listed below determines the order of priority for admission. Applicants who qualify for more than one category will be placed in the highest one in which they appear.

### Admission categories:

- Baptised Catholic Looked After Children and previously looked after children
- 2) Baptised Catholic children
- 3) Other Looked After Children and previously Looked After Children
- 4) Children being prepared to be received into the Catholic Church (RCIA)
- 5) Children whose parent(s) are baptised Catholic
- 6) Children attending Portsmouth Cluster Catholic Feeder Schools at the time of the application
- 7) Children with siblings at the School at the intended time of entry
- 8) Children who are members of Eastern Orthodox Churches
- 9) Children from families who are members of other Christian churches
- 10) Children of staff employed at the school
- 11) Other applicants

#### Tiebreakers:

Oversubscription within the above criteria.

Should there be more applicants than places available in any of the above criteria, priority will be given in order of:

- 1) Category 2:
  - i) Baptised Catholic children
  - ii) Distance
  - iii) Random allocation
- 2) All other categories:
  - i) Distance
  - ii) Random allocation

### **Springfield School**

This policy will apply to all admissions for the academic year 2018/19 including in year applications. Springfield has a PAN of 227.

If the school is oversubscribed, applications will be considered according to the following priorities in the order set out below:—

- Children who are looked after by a local authority (i.e. in their care or provided with accommodation by the authority for a continuous period of more than 24 hours).
   Children who were previously looked after but immediately following being looked after became subject to an adoption order, residence or special guardianship order. See "Additional information" below.
- 2) Children or families who have a significant medical, physical, psychological or social need. Evidence must be attached with the application. Applications under this criterion must be supported by written evidence from an appropriate professional person involved stating clearly why the preferred school is the most appropriate for the child and reasons why other schools in the city are inappropriate. Applications received under this category are considered by a multi-disciplinary team of the local authority. See "Additional information" below.
- 3) Children and staff employed at the school
- a) where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the application is made, and/or;
- b) the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage

- 4) Children living within the school's designated catchment area. (If the school cannot admit all applications from the catchment area, applicants will be ranked within this category in accordance with priorities below.)
- 5) Children living outside the school's catchment area in the following priority order:
  - i) children who have a brother or sister (living within the same household) already on roll and who will still be attending the school the following academic year;
    Note—this category does include step-brothers/step-sisters, adoptive and foster brothers/sisters living within the same household or children whose parents are married or cohabiting and live together within the same household.
  - ii) children eligible for service premium Note-service premium is paid to eligible children of armed services personnel under S14 of the Education Act 2002
  - iii) children attending a feeder junior/primary school; Please see a list of feeder junior/ primary schools at the end of this document.
  - iv) children who live closest to the school, measured as a straight line (this distance will be used where necessary to prioritise applications). Should there be two or more identical distances requiring prioritisation, this will be done by casting lots.

    Note—should a school be oversubscribed from within any of the criteria then any additional criteria will be used to prioritise applications within these categories.



# University Technical College (UTC) Portsmouth

For a full copy of the policy and explanatory notes please go to the UTC Portsmouth website.

The PAN for the academic year 2018/19 is 100 for year 10 and 100 for year 12

### Year 10 Application Process

Applications for places in 2018 will be made directly to, and be administered by the UTC either online on UTC Portsmouth's website

(**www.utcportsmouth.org**) or via the paper form. The closing date for applications is 31/10/2017. Offers of places will be made by email no later than 11/12/2017.

If the UTC is oversubscribed, applicants with statements of Special Educational Needs (SEN) or Education, Health and Care Plans (EHCP) where the UTC is named on the statement or EHCP will be admitted first. Thereafter, in the event of oversubscription, the following criteria will be applied in the order in which they are set out below:

- 1) Looked after children and previously looked after children.
- 2) Siblings of children who will be attending the school in the next academic year. See 'further information and definitions' for full definition.
- 3) Children eligible for the service pupil premium. See 'further information and definitions' below for guidance on who this applies to.
- 4) Children of UTC Portsmouth's staff where the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage.

- 5) 50% of the remaining places will be allocated to girls, where there is an odd number of places to be allocated, random selection will be used, if required, to determine whether to allocate the extra place to a boy or a girl. If there are more female applicants than places, the following oversubscription criteria are to be used:
  - a) 50% of these places will be allocated to girls resident in Zone A, which will include all postcodes in the City of Portsmouth.
  - b) 50% of these places will be allocated to girls resident in Zone B, which will include all postcodes in Havant, Fareham, Gosport, Southampton, Eastleigh, the Isle of Wight, Chichester, East Hants, Winchester and Arun.
  - c) If there are an odd number of girls' places, random selection will be used to determine which zone to allocate the extra place to.
  - d) If one zone is undersubscribed then remaining places will be allocated to the remaining zone.
- 6) The remaining places will be allocated to boys, if there are more male applicants than places, the following oversubscription criteria are to be used:
  - a) 50% of these places will be allocated to boys resident in Zone A, which will include all postcodes in the City of Portsmouth.
  - b) 50% of these places allocated to boys resident in Zone B, which will include all postcodes in Havant, Fareham, Gosport,



Southampton, Eastleigh, the Isle of Wight, Chichester, East Hants, Winchester and Arun.

- c) If there are an odd number of boys' places, random selection will be used to determine which zone to allocate a place to.
- d) If one zone is undersubscribed then remaining places will be allocated to the remaining zone.
- 7) Any remaining places will be allocated to children who live outside the main zones and will be prioritised to those who live closest to the UTC, based on the shortest distance from home to school, measured on a straight line. (See 'further information and definitions' for further information on distance measurement.)

#### Tie-break

Should there be a need for a tie breaker for two or more applicants that cannot be otherwise separated, the decision will be made by independently verified random selection (drawing of lots) to determine which applicant is offered a place.

For information about applying for a place in Year 12, please see the UTC website.

# Guide to criteria and additional information on admission policies

NOTE: Not all schools have the criteria below. You must check the schools policy. If the criterion is not in the policy then it cannot be considered in allocating places eg. medical evidence cannot be considered for schools without this criterion.

# Pupils with special educational needs and an Education and Health Care Plan (EHCP)

The Admissions Code states that all children with an EHCP which names a particular school must be admitted. These children have priority over and above all applications and so are allocated first or overnumber if the school is already full.

#### Looked After Children

These are defined as children who are looked after by a local authority, i.e. in their care or provided with accommodation by the authority for a continuous period of more than 24 hours.

Children who were previously looked after\*, but ceased to be so because they were adopted or subject to a residence or special guardianship order. A copy of the relevant court order will be required.

\*A child is considered as 'Looked After' as defined in section 22(1) of the Children Act 1989. A child is considered 'Adopted' as defined in section 46 of the Adoption and Children Act 2002. Residence order—as defined in section 8 of the Children Act 1989. Special guardianship order—as defined in section 14 a of the Children Act 1989

### Medical, physical, psychological or social need

If your child or a family member has a significant medical, physical, psychological or social need which relates to your school application, please tick the relevant box on application form and attach supporting evidence to your form. All evidence must be sent together with the application form. The evidence must be in writing from your doctor or other appropriate professional involved with your child's health, wellbeing or your specific family circumstances. In all cases evidence must show why it is appropriate that your child attends your preferred school and why other schools in the city are inappropriate.

Please note that many children experience anxiety linked to changing schools or leaving friendship groups and this will not usually be considered a significant medical or psychological need.

Failure to attach supporting evidence will delay the progress of your application and/or result in it not being considered under this criterion. It is your responsibility to provide the necessary evidence to support your application. All information given will be treated confidentially. If you are in any doubt about whether or not to include details, please contact the Admissions Team for further advice.

#### Catchment areas

A catchment area is a geographical area defined by the council. The idea of having a catchment area is to give some priority for the admission of children living in the local area of the school. Please note—living in the catchment area does not guarantee a place at the school. Your catchment area is determined by your home address (the child's permanent residence). Further details of the individual school's catchment area is provided on the council's website.

### Sibling link

A sibling link is defined as a child's brother or sister (living in the same household) already on roll and attending the school you have applied to or at an adjacent infant/junior school and who still be attending the school the following academic year. This category includes step-brothers/step-sisters; adoptive brothers/sisters living in the same household or children whose parents are married or cohabiting and live together within the same household. This does not include siblings who live in a different household. If you have twins, triplets or more children in the same household who are due

to transfer into the same year group, please be aware that should the admission limit of a school be reached by admitting one child, your other child(ren) will be offered a place at the same school.

Please note: a sibling link at the school does not guarantee admission to the school.

#### Feeder schools

Junior schools have named feeder infant schools.

Secondary schools have named feeder junior/ primary schools, see page 58.

Attendance at a feeder school does not guarantee admission to a linked school.

### Children eligible for service premium

Service premium is paid to eligible children of armed services personnel under S14 of the Education Act 2002

The service premium is designed to support children with parents serving in the regular British armed forces. Pupils attract the premium if they meet the following criteria:

- one of their parents is serving in the regular armed forces
- one of their parents served in the regular armed forces in the last 3 years
- one of their parents died while serving in the armed forces and the pupil is in receipt of a pension under the Armed Forces Compensation Scheme (AFCS) and the War Pensions Scheme (WPS).

Evidence may be required if none available from current educational setting.

# Children of staff employed at the school (or school on an adjacent site)

- a) where the member of staff has been employed at the school for 2 or more years at the time at which the application is made, and or
- b) the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a skill shortage

### Distance measurement

Where it is necessary to prioritise applications the criterion will be prioritised based on the shortest distance from the child's home to school, measured in a straight line 'as the crow flies'. Distances will be measured using the council's Geographical Information System (GIS). The Local Land and Property Gazetteer (LLPG) unique property reference co-ordinates will be used to represent the school, whilst home co-ordinates will be primarily derived from the LLPG, with Ordnance Survey's ADDRESS-POINT® product used as support. Only distances measured by GIS will be taken into account for the purposes of the distance criterion. Should there be two or more identical distances, the prioritisation will be done by casting lots. The Admissions Team will arrange for this to be carried out by the LA's Democratic Services who are independent of the school and the admissions process.

### Subsequent sibling applications

Where the LA is unable to meet a parental preference in relation to a **catchment** school, the LA will have to allocate a place at a lower preference school or even allocate the next nearest school with places available. Parents may prefer to then try and get a place for another sibling at the same school. In such instances, this school could then be treated as the catchment school for



subsequent sibling applications. Parents would have to notify the LA on application that they consider this exception applies. If the application was for the actual catchment school this criterion would still be applied. This would be applicable to Portsmouth schools who have catchment criterion as part of their admissions policy.

#### Fair Access Protocol

The Local Authority operates a Fair Access Protocol which prioritises admissions for certain categories of children. This protocol relates to admission applications during the year (but not the transfer of year 6 pupils from primary/junior to secondary schools or transfer of year 2 pupils from infant to junior schools). The protocol takes priority above the school's admission policy for those on a waiting list and the LA may require the school to admit above their published admission number.

# List of schools

### School types

**COM:** Community **VA:** Voluntary Aided **VC:** Voluntary Controlled

**ACAD:** Academy

PAN = Published Admission Number, i.e the number of places available for September 2018 entry.

Name of school	Address	Tel	Туре	PAN
Ark Ayrton Primary Academy (part of ARK Schools Academy Trust)	Somers Road, Southsea, Portsmouth, PO5 4LS Executive Headteacher: Ms Waelend Headteacher: Mrs Chapman www.arkayrtonprimary.org	9282 4828	ACAD	60
Ark Dickens Primary Academy (part of ARK Schools Academy Trust)	Turner Road, Portsmouth, PO1 4PN Executive Headteacher: Ms Waelend www.arkdickensprimary.org	9282 6514	ACAD	60
Arundel Court Primary School (part of University of Chichester Academy Trust)	Northam Street, Landport, Portsmouth, PO1 1JE Headteacher: Ms Stocks www.arundelcourt.com	9282 4893	ACAD	75
Beacon View Primary Academy (part of United Learning Academy Trust)	Allaway Avenue, Paulsgrove, Portsmouth, PO6 3PS Headteacher: Miss E Sykes www.beaconviewprimary.co.uk	9237 5302	ACAD	60
Bramble Infant School	Bramble Road, Southsea, Portsmouth, PO4 0DT Interim Headteacher: Mrs Nickerson www.goldsmith.portsmouth.sch.uk	9282 8604	COM	60
College Park Infant School	Lyndhurst Road, Portsmouth, PO2 OLB Headteacher: Mrs Anderson www.collegeparkinfantschool.co.uk	9266 2823	COM	120
Copnor Primary School	Copnor Road, Portsmouth, PO3 5BZ Headteacher: Mr Brawley www.copnorprimary.co.uk	9266 1191	COM	90 (yr R) 15ª for yr 3 junior transfer
Corpus Christi Catholic (aided) Primary School	Gladys Avenue, North End, Portsmouth, PO2 9AX Executive Headteacher: Mrs Schouller www.corpuschristi.portsmouth.sch.uk	9266 1818	VA	45
Cottage Grove Primary School	Chivers Close, Southsea, Portsmouth, PO5 1HG Headteacher: Mrs Honeychurch www.cottagegrove.co.uk	9234 1133	COM	60

a PAN for years 3–6 is 105 so there are an additional 15 places to allocate in the junior transfer process.

Name of school	Address	Tel	Туре	PAN
Court Lane Infant Academy (part of University of Chichester Academy Trust)	Hilary Avenue, Cosham, Portsmouth, PO6 2PP Executive Headteacher: Mrs Ramshaw www.courtlane-inf.portsmouth.sch.uk	9237 8890	ACAD	120
Court Lane Junior Academy (part of University of Chichester Academy Trust)	Hilary Avenue, Cosham, Portsmouth, PO6 2PP Executive Headteacher: Mrs Ramshaw Head of School: Mrs Cantini www.cljs.co.uk	9237 5444	ACAD	120
Craneswater Junior School	St. Ronan's Road, Southsea, Portsmouth, PO4 0PX Headteacher: Mr Jones www.craneswater.portsmouth.sch.uk	9273 4787	COM	120
Cumberland Infant School	Methuen Road, Southsea, Portsmouth, PO4 9HJ Headteacher: Mrs Naylor www.cumberland.portsmouth.sch.uk	9273 3161	COM	60
Devonshire Infant School	Francis Avenue, Southsea, Portsmouth, PO4 0AG Headteacher: Miss Collins www.devonshire.portsmouth.sch.uk	9273 4902	COM	60
Fernhurst Junior School	Francis Avenue, Southsea, Portsmouth, PO4 0AG Headteacher: Mrs Kirby www.fernhurst.portsmouth.sch.uk	9273 5998	COM	90
Flying Bull Academy (part of University of Chichester Academy Trust)	Flying Bull Lane, Buckland, Portsmouth, PO2 7BJ Headteacher: Mr Hewett–Dale www.fbacademy.co.uk	9269 4313	ACAD	60
Gatcombe Park Primary School (part of The Ridings Trust)	St. Barbara Way, Hilsea, Portsmouth, PO2 OUR Headteacher: Mr Baker www.gatcombepark.portsmouth.sch.uk	9269 4412	ACAD	30
Highbury Primary School (part of University of Chichester Academy Trust)	Dovercourt Road, Cosham, Portsmouth, PO6 2RZ Headteacher: Mrs Sadler www.highburyprimary.org	9237 5404	ACAD	60
Isambard Brunel Junior School (part of The Thinking Schools Academy Trust)	Wymering Road, Portsmouth, PO2 7HX Headteacher: Mr Gilmour www.isambardbrunelschool.wordpress.com	9266 3444	ACAD	90
Langstone Infant School	Stride Avenue, Copnor, Portsmouth, PO3 6HL Headteacher: Miss Page www.langstoneinfants.co.uk	9283 2642	COM	90
Langstone Junior School	Lakeside Avenue, Portsmouth, PO3 6EZ Headteacher: Mrs Bush www.langstone-jun.portsmouth.sch.uk	9282 4138	COM	90
Lyndhurst Junior School (part of King's Group Academy Trust)	Crofton Road, North End, Portsmouth, PO2 0NT Headteacher: Mr Martindale www.kgalyndhurst.uk	9266 3645	ACAD	120
Manor Infant School	Inverness Road, Portsmouth, PO1 5QR Headteacher: Mr Howard www.manorinfantschool.co.uk	9282 0548	COM	90

Name of school	Address	Tel	Туре	PAN
Mayfield School <sup>a</sup>	Mayfield Road, North End, Portsmouth, PO2 ORH Headteacher: Mr Jeapes Admissions: Mr Stedman www.mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk	9269 3432	COM	60 (Yr R) 30 (for Yr 3 junior transfer)
Modina Primary		9237 5475	COM	30
Medina Primary School	Medina Road, Portsmouth, PO6 3NH Headteacher: Mr Payne www.medinaprimary.co.uk	9237 5475	COIVI	30
Meon Infant School	Shelford Road, Milton, Portsmouth, PO4 8NT Headteacher: Mrs Daish www.meoninfant.co.uk	9273 1082	COM	60
Meon Junior School (part of Thinking Schools Academy Trust)	Shelford Road, Southsea, Portsmouth, PO4 8NT Interim Headteacher: Mrs Paine www.meon-jun.portsmouth.sch.uk	9273 2844	COM	90
Meredith Infant School	Portchester Road, North End, Portsmouth, PO2 7JB Headteacher: Mrs Carroll www.meredithinfantschool.co.uk	9266 3846	COM	90
Milton Park Primary School	Eastney Road, Southsea, Portsmouth, PO4 8ET Acting Headteacher: Mr Branscombe www.miltonparkprimaryschool.co.uk	9273 3792	COM	60
Moorings Way Infant School (part of Thinking Schools Academy Trust)	Moorings Way, Milton, Portsmouth, PO4 8YJ Acting Headteacher: Mrs Vonk www.mooringsway.co.uk	9282 9147	ACAD	45
Newbridge Junior School (part of The Thinking Schools Academy Trust)	New Road, Portsmouth, PO2 7RW Headteacher: Mrs Webb www.newbridgeschool.co.uk	9282 9424	ACAD	150
Northern Parade Infant School	Kipling Road, Portsmouth, PO2 9NJ Executive Headteacher: Mrs Wilson www.npschools.co.uk	9266 2596	COM	120
Northern Parade Junior School	Doyle Avenue, Portsmouth, PO2 9NE Executive Headteacher: Mrs Wilson www.npschools.co.uk	9266 2129	COM	120
Penhale Infant School	Lincoln Road, Portsmouth, PO1 5BG Headteacher: Mrs Keller www.penhaleinfants.co.uk	9282 1016	COM	90
Portsdown Primary School	Sundridge Close, Portsmouth, PO6 3JL Headteacher: Mr Vaghela www.portsdownprimary.co.uk	9237 8991	COM	60
Solent Infant School (part of the De Curci Trust)	Evelegh Road, Farlington, Portsmouth, PO6 1DH Executive Headteacher: Mrs Wilby Head of school: Mrs Peterkin–Aldred www.solent-inf.portsmouth.sch.uk	9237 1073	ACAD	90

a Mayfield is an All Through school (year R to year 11) but currently primary applications can only be made for year R September 2018 and current year R, year 1, year 2 and year 3 as an in-year application. There will be an additional 30 places for year 3 2018 available for junior transfer applicants. Children in current year 2 will automatically transfer to year 3 and attending the primary part of the school will automatically transfer to year 7

Name of school	Address	Tel	Туре	PAN
Solent Junior School (part of the De Curci Trust)	Solent Road, Drayton, Portsmouth, PO6 1HJ Executive Headteacher: Mrs Wilby Head of school: Mrs Haydon www.solentjuniorschool.co.uk	9237 5459	ACAD	90
Southsea Infant School	Collingwood Road, Southsea, Portsmouth, PO5 2SR Headteacher: Miss Cook www.southsea.portsmouth.sch.uk	9282 8176	COM	60
St. George's Beneficial CE Primary School	Hanover Street, Portsea, Portsmouth, PO1 3BN Headteacher: Mrs Gibb www.stgbs.co.uk	9282 2886	VC	50
St. John's Cathedral Catholic (aided) Primary School	Cottage View, Landport, Portsmouth, PO1 1PX Acting Headteacher: Mrs Park www.stjohnscathedralschool.org.uk	9282 1055	VA	30
St. Jude's CE Primary School	St. Nicholas Street, Old Portsmouth, PO1 2NZ Headteacher: Miss Osborne www.st-judes.portsmouth.sch.uk	9282 4061	VC	60
St. Paul's Catholic Primary School	Bourne Road, Portsmouth, PO6 4JD Executive Headteacher: Mrs Schouller Head of School: Mrs Killick www.st-pauls.portsmouth.sch.uk	9237 5488	VA	60
St. Swithun's Catholic Primary School	Taswell Road, Southsea, Portsmouth, PO5 2RG Headteacher: Mr Olive www.stswithunscatholicprimaryschool.co.uk	9282 9339	VA	45
Stamshaw Infant School	North End Avenue, Stamshaw, Portsmouth, PO2 8NW Headteacher: Mrs Cooper www.stamshawinfant.co.uk	9266 1192	COM	90
Stamshaw Junior School (part of Portswood Academy Trust)	Tipner Road, Portsmouth, PO2 8HQ Executive Principal: Mrs Codling Principal: Mrs Ray www.stamshawjun.org.uk	9266 1045	ACAD	90
The Victory Primary School (part of United Learning Academy Trust)	Allaway Avenue, Portsmouth, PO6 4QP Headteacher: Mr Hartley www.thevictoryprimary.co.uk	9200 1160	ACAD	60
Westover Primary School (part of The Ridings Trust)	Westover Road, Portsmouth, PO3 6NS Headteacher: Mr Martin www.westoverprimary.co.uk	9266 0178	ACAD	60
Wimborne Infant School	Wimborne Road, Southsea, Portsmouth, PO4 8DE Headteacher: Mrs Cragg www.wimborne-inf.portsmouth.sch.uk	9273 3783	COM	70
Wimborne Junior School	Wimborne Road, Southsea, Portsmouth, PO4 8DE Headteacher: Mrs Jacobs www.wimborne-jun.portsmouth.sch.uk	9273 3784	COM	90

# List of schools

School types: COM: Community VA: Voluntary Aided FOU: Foundation ACAD: Academy

PAN = Published Admission Number, i.e the number of places available for September 2018 entry.

Name of school	Address	Tel	Туре	PAN
Admiral Lord Nelson School (part of Salterns Academy Trust)	Dundas Lane, Portsmouth, PO3 5XT Headteacher: Mrs Hardingham, Admissions: Mrs Power <b>www.alns.co.uk</b>	9236 4536	ACAD	220
Charter Academy (part of ARK Schools Academy Trust)	Hyde Park Road, Southsea, Portsmouth, PO5 4HL Principal: Mr Barnes, Admissions: Mrs Dymott www.charteracademy.org.uk	9282 4204	ACAD	120
King Richard School	Allaway Avenue, Paulsgrove, Portsmouth, PO6 4QP Headteacher: Mr Hughes Admissions: Mrs House www.kingrichardschool.net	9237 0321	FOU	200
Mayfield School <sup>a</sup>	Mayfield Road, North End, Portsmouth, PO2 0RH Headteacher: Mr Jeapes, Admissions: Miss Hillier www.mayfield.portsmouth.sch.uk	9269 3432	COM	200
Miltoncross Academy (part of The Kemnal Academies Trust)	Milton Road, Milton, Portsmouth, PO3 6RB Headteacher: Ms Calderbank, Admissions: Mrs Cross www.miltoncross-tkat.org	9273 8022	ACAD	200
The Portsmouth Academy (part of The Thinking Schools Academy Trust)	St. Mary's Road, Fratton, Portsmouth, PO1 5PF Principal: Ms Sheppard, Admissions: Mrs Meale www.theportsmouthacademy.org.uk	9281 2822	ACAD	225
Priory School (part of Bohunt Education Trust)	Fawcett Road, Southsea, Portsmouth, PO4 0DL Headteacher: Mr Vaughan, Admissions: Ms Williams www.priorysouthsea.org	9281 9115	ACAD	250
St. Edmund's Catholic School	Arundel Street, Landport, Portsmouth, PO1 1RX Headteacher: Mr Graham, Admissions: Mrs White www.saintedmunds.org.uk	9282 3766	VA	208
Springfield School (part of the De Curci Trust)	Central Road, Drayton, Portsmouth, PO6 1QY Headteacher: Ms Spivey, Admissions: Miss Kelly www.springfield.uk.net	9237 9119	ACAD	227 <sup>c</sup>
Trafalgar School (part of Salterns Academy Trust)	London Road, Hilsea, Portsmouth, PO2 9RJ Executive Headteacher: Mr Labedz Headteacher: Ms Copeland, Admissions: Mrs H Robson www.trafalgarschool.org.uk	9269 3521	ACAD	200
University Technical College Portsmouth <sup>b</sup>	London Road, Hilsea, Portsmouth, PO2 9RJ Principal: Mr O'Dowda <b>www.utcportsmouth.org</b>	9283 4785	_	100 (Yr 10)

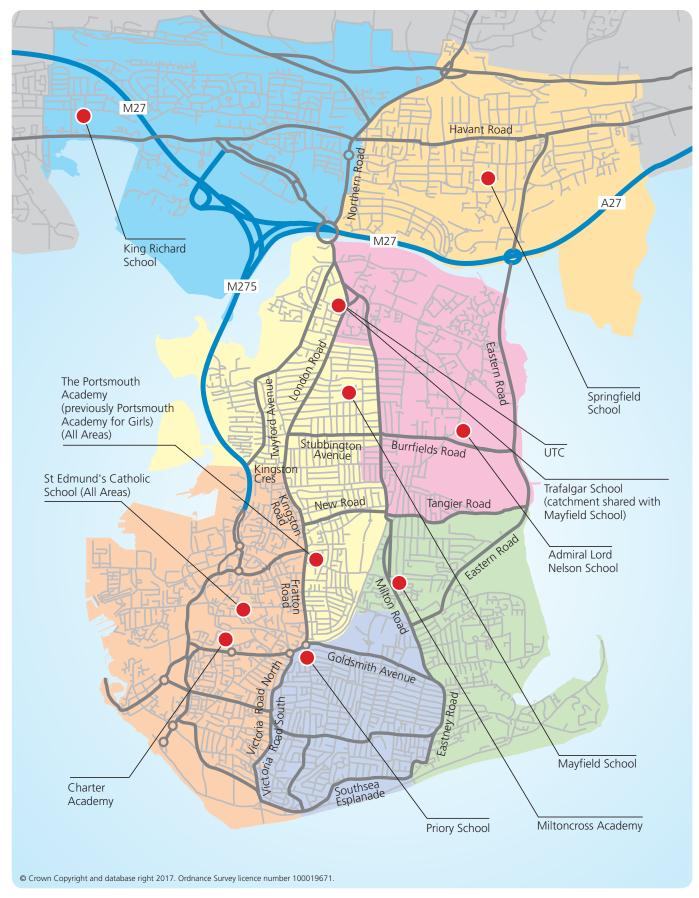
a Mayfield School is an 'All Through school' (year R to year 11). See page 34.

**b** for 14–19-year-olds only, see page 47–48

c will be increasing to 240 on completion of building works

# Secondary school catchment areas

You can also view your catchment areas, including infant, junior and primary catchment areas online at **www.portsmouth.gov.uk/schooladmissions** 



	Primary/Junior	Secondary			
Foodor	Copnor Primary				
Feeder	Gatcombe Park Primary	Admiral Lord Nelson School			
schools	Westover Primary				
	Ark Ayrton Primary Academy  Ark Dickens Primary Academy				
chart	Ark Dickens Primary Academy  Arundel Court Primary				
CHAIC	Cottage Grove Primary				
Sibling criterion applies for pupils	Flying Bull Primary	Charter Academy			
on adjacent site feeder schools which are highlighted in yellow.	St. George's Primary C of E Primary				
which are highlighted in yellow.	St. Jude's C of E Primary				
	Beacon View Primary Academy				
	Medina Primary				
	Portsdown Primary	King Richard School			
Infant	The Victory Primary School				
Meredith Infant	Isambard Brunel Junior	M. C.H.C.L.			
Manor Infant	lsambard Brunel Junior	Mayfield School The Portsmouth Academy			
	Newbridge Junior	The Portsmouth Academy Trafalgar School			
Penhale Infant	Newbridge Junior	Halaigai School			
Northern Parade Infant	Northern Parade Junior	Mar field Cales al			
Stamshaw Infant	Stamshaw Junior	Mayfield School Trafalgar School			
College Park Infant	Lyndhurst Junior	ITalalyal School			
Langstone Infant	Langstone Junior				
Meon Infant	Meon Junior	Miltoncross Academy			
Moorings Way Infant	Meon Junior	Willtoncloss Academy			
	Milton Park Primary				
Devonshire Infant	Fernhurst Junior				
Goldsmith Infant	Fernhurst Junior				
	Craneswater Junior				
Southsea Infant	Craneswater Junior	Priory School			
Cumberland Infant	Craneswater Junior				
	Wimborne Junior				
Wimborne Infant	Wimborne Junior				
Court Lane Infant	Court Lane Junior				
Solent Infant	Solent Junior	Springfield School			
	Highbury Primary				
	Corpus Christi RC Primary				
	St John's RC Primary				
	St Mary's RC Primary	St Edmund's Catholic School			
	St Paul's RC Primary				
	St Swithun's RC Primary				

# Infant, junior and primary school allocation breakdown for 2017 intake

This section tells you how many applicants were successful, and admission criteria used in the allocation process. This information is for on-time applications only.

### Table header key:

**PAN:** Published Admission

Number

**Apps considered** = applications remaining after applicants allocated to higher preference schools during the first stage of the allocation process

**SEN:** Special Educational Needs

**LAC:** Looked After Child

**MED:** Medical/social

**CAT:** Catchment

**SIB:** Sibling

**DIST:** Distance

**REL:** Religion

! Please note the pattern of applications and places allocated changes from year to year, so 2017 trends may not give an indication of what will happen in September 2018.

For guidance on criteria see pages 49–51.

### **Breakdown for Infant allocation**

School Name	PAN	Total Applications	Apps Considered	SEN	LAC	MED	CAT	SIB	Service Premium	Children of staff*	DIST	Last place offered was on the criterion:
College Park Infant	120	328	133	0	2	2	49	15	0	0	52	Distance (0.694)
Court Lane Infant	120	292	148	0	1	3	98	11	1	0	6	Distance (0.489)
Cumberland Infant	60	214	85	0	0	2	40	4	1	0	13	Distance (0.310)
Devonshire Infant	60	245	90	0	1	1	41	9	2	1	5	Distance (0.207)
Bramble Infant (Goldsmith)	60	205	57	0	1	1	17	4	0	0	34	All applicants successful
Langstone Infant	90	178	103	0	0	2	70	12	1	0	5	Distance (0.358)
Manor Infant	90	141	69	0	0	0	29	9	0	0	31	All applicants successful
Meon Infant	60	200	92	0	3	5	45	7	0	0	0	Sibling—not all successful
Meredith Infant	90	177	90	1	1	2	25	19	0	0	42	All applicants successful
Moorings Way Infant	40	122	43	0	0	0	13	5	2	0	23	All applicants successful
Northern Parade Infant	120	230	124	0	0	4	88	17	1	0	10	Distance (0.913)
Penhale Infant	85	142	67	0	1	2	39	6	0	0	19	All applicants successful
Solent Infant	90	226	111	0	1	1	68	6	4	0	10	Distance (0.732)
Southsea Infant	60	216	79	0	1	1	45	0	1	0	12	Distance (0.486)
Stamshaw Infant	90	142	90	0	2	0	59	3	0	0	26	All applicants successful
Wimborne Infant	70	206	71	0	0	1	33	10	1	0	25	Distance (2.194)

<sup>\*</sup> Employed 2+ yrs or filling a demonstrable skill shortage

### **Breakdown for Primary allocation (a)**

	PAN	Total Applications	Apps Considered	SEN	LAC	MED	REL	CAT	REL*	SIB	Service Premium	Children of staff**	DIST	Last place offered was on the criterion:
Arundel Court Primary	75	191	95	0	1	3	N/A	42	N/A	13	0	0	16	Distance (0.375)
Copnor Primary	90	282	106	0	0	0	N/A	49	N/A	17	0	0	24	Distance (0.583)
Cottage Grove Primary	60	114	65	0	0	0	N/A	23	N/A	23	1	0	13	Distance (0.355)
Gatcombe Park Primary	30	144	66	1	0	3	N/A	26	N/A	0	0	0	0	Catchment—not all successful
Highbury Primary	60	143	82	0	0	3	N/A	57	N/A	0	0	0	0	Catchment—not all successful
Medina Primary	30	118	56	0	0	0	N/A	29	N/A	1	0	0	0	Sibling – not all successful
Milton Park Primary	60	139	60	0	0	1	N/A	32	N/A	8	0	0	19	All applicants successful
Portsdown Primary	60	127	78	0	0	1	N/A	33	N/A	21	0	0	5	Distance (0.343)
St George's Beneficial CE Primary	50	64	47	0	1	1	N/A	34	1	2	0	0	8	All applicants successful
St Jude's CE Primary	60	130	83	0	1	0	43	10	N/A	4	1	0	1	Distance (0.352)
Westover Primary	60	129	60	0	0	2	N/A	41	N/A	5	0	0	12	All applicants successful

<sup>\*</sup>REL applicable to St Jude's and St George's only

# **Breakdown for Primary allocation**—**Ark academies (b)**

	PAN	Total Applications	Apps Considered	SEN	LAC	Staff Child–Skill Shortage	SIB	Children of staff*	CAT	DIST	Last place offered was on the criterion:
ARK Ayrton Primary Academy	60	112	60	0	0	2	28	0	22	8	All applicants successful
ARK Dickens Primary	60	95	60	0	2	1	31	0	16	10	All applicants successful

<sup>\*</sup>Employed 2+ yrs

## **Breakdown for Primary allocation (c)**

	PAN	Total Applications	Apps Considered	SEN	LAC	MED	CAT	SIB	DIST	Last place offered was on the criterion:
Beacon View Primary Academy	60	94	60	0	0	0	44	5	11	All applicants successful
Flying Bull Academy	60	111	60	0	0	3	34	6	17	All applicants successful
The Victory Primary	60	97	60	0	0	0	37	10	13	All applicants successful

<sup>\*\*</sup>Employed 2+ yrs or filling a demonstrable skill shortage

# **Breakdown for Catholic Primary allocation (d)**

School name	PAN	Last place offered was on the criterion:
Corpus Christi Catholic Primary	45	Baptised Catholic Child/less than monthly worship/(0.500 miles)
St John's Cathedral Catholic Primary	30	Baptised Catholic Child/monthly worship/1.225 miles
St Paul's Catholic Primary	60	Distance 0.246 miles
St Swithun's Catholic Primary	45	Distance 0.189 miles

Please contact the school regarding details of allocations against each criteria

# Breakdown for Mayfield all through school allocation (Year R)

School name	PAN	Total applications	Applications considered	SEN	LAC	MED	Children of staff*	Service Premium	CAT	SIB	DIST	Last place offered was on the criterion:
Mayfield	60	327	135	0	4	4	5	4	43	0	0	Catchment – not all successful

<sup>\*</sup> Employed 2+ yrs or filling a demonstrable skill shortage

### **Breakdown for Junior allocation**

School name	PAN	Total applications	Applications Considered	School Named on Statement/EHCP	Looked After Child	Significant Medical, physical, psychological or Social Need	Catchment Area	Sibling Link	Service Premium	Children of staff	Feeder School	Distance	Last place offered was on the criterion:
Copnor Primary	14	102	20	0	1	0	10	2	1	0	N/A	0	Service Premium
Court Lane Junior Academy	120	175	129	0	2	2	100	8	1	0	7	0	Feeder – not all successful
Craneswater Junior	120	226	133	1	2	4	64	22	1	0	26	0	Feeder—not all successful
Fernhurst Junior	90	208	96	1	3	2	47	15	1	0	17	4	Distance (0.404)



School name	PAN	Total applications	Applications Considered	School Named on Statement/EHCP	Looked After Child	Significant Medical, physical, psychological or Social Need	Catchment Area	Sibling Link	Service Premium	Children of staff	Feeder School	Distance	Last place offered was on the criterion:
Isambard Brunel Junior	90	116	89	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	All on-time applicants successful
Langstone Junior	90	123	89	1	1	0	65	11	1	0	10	1	Distance (0.463)
Lyndhurst Junior	120	149	110	*	*	N/A	*	*	*	*	*	*	All on-time applicants successful
Meon Junior	90	157	104	1	1	3	61	14	2	0	8	0	Feeder – not all successful
Newbridge Junior	150	177	148	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	All on-time applicants successful
Northern Parade Junior	120	152	111	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	All on-time applicants successful
Solent Junior	90	152	95	1	0	6	58	12	3	0	10	0	Feeder—not all successful
Stamshaw Junior	90	85	69	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	All on-time applicants successful
Wimborne Junior	90	201	97	0	1	0	45	21	1	1	21	0	Feeder—not all successful

NB: Staff child-where staff member has been employed for 2+ years/is filling a demonstrable skill shortage

# Secondary school allocation breakdown for 2017 intake

This section tells you how many applicants were successful, and the admission criteria used in the allocation process. This information is for on-time applications only.

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\* = see last column

School Name	Published Admission Number	Total Applications	Total Applicants Considered	School Named on Statement/EHCP	Looked After Children	Significant Medical, Physical,	Psychological or Social Need	Catchment Area	Sibling Link	Feeder School	Service Premium	Distance	Notes
Admiral Lord Nelson School	220	406	231	3	5	2		133	22	18	1	36	Distance (1.356)
Trafalgar School	200	322	140	*	*	*		*	*	*	*	*	All on-time applicants successful
School Name	Published Admission Number	Total Applications	Total Applicants Considered	School Named on Statement/EHCP	Looked After Children	Children of Staff (a)	Sibling Link	Children of Staff(b)	Catchment Area	Feeder School	Distance	Notes	
Charter Academy	180	318	162	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	All on-	time applicants sful
School name	Published Admission Number	Total Applications	Total Applicants Considered	School Named on Statement/EHCP	Looked After Children	Significant Medical, Physical	Psychological or Social Need	Catchment Area	Sibling Link	Feeder School	Distance	Notes	
King Richard School	200	130	107	*	*		*	*	*	*	*	All on-tim	e applicants successful
Miltoncross Academy	200	214	106	*	*		*	*	*	*	*	All on-tim	e applicants successful
Priory School	260	421	252	*	*		*	*	*	*	*	All on-tim	e applicants successful



School Name	Published Admission Number	Total Applications	Total Applicants Considered	School Named on Statement/EHCP	Looked After Children	Significant Medical, Physical, Psychological or Social Need	Children of Staff*	Service Premium	Catchment Area	Sibling Link	Feeder School	Distance	Notes
Mayfield School	200	374	200	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	All on-time applicants successful

children of staff a) where there is demonstrable skill shortage children of staff b) employed for 2+ years

School Name The Portsmouth	Published Admission Number	Total Applications	Total Applicants Considered	School Named on Statement/EHCP	Looked After Children	Sibling Link	Feeder Link	Children of Staff	Distance	Notes			
Academy	225	357	174	*	*	*	*	*	*	All on-t	ime ap	pplicants successful	
School Name	Published Admission Number	Total Applications	Total Applicants Considered	School Named on Statement/EHCP	Looked After Children	Significant Medical, Physical, Psychological or	Social Need Catchment Area	Sibling Link	Service Premium	Feeder School	Distance	Notes	
Springfield School	240	315	232	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	All on-time applicants su	uccessful
School Name	Published Admission Number	Total Applications	Total Applicants Considered						Notes				
St Edmund's Catholic School	210	456	274		t school f each crit	or breakdow teria	n alloca	tions				under which places have stance (0.204 miles)	

# Independent appeal statistics

Independent appeals were made to the following schools for entry at the start of the academic year (not including in-year appeals) between September 2014 and September 2017.

### **Starting school infant appeals**

School	Appea	ls 2014	Appea	ls 2015	Appea	ls 2016	Appeal	s 2017*
	Appeals heard	Admitted	Appeals heard	Admitted	Appeals heard	Admitted	Appeals heard	Admitted
Ark Ayrton Primary	-	-	2	0	0	0	-	-
Arundel Court Primary	6	3	1	0	3	1	2	2
College Park Infant	2	0	1	0	1	0	1	0
Copnor Primary	1	0	0	0	3	0	0	0
Corpus Christi Catholic Primary	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	0
Cottage Grove Primary	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0
Court Lane Infant	2	0	3	0	5	0	3	0
Devonshire Infant	7	0	1	0	2	0	-	-
Flying Bull Primary	1	0	0	0	0	0	-	-
Gatcombe Park Primary	1	0	4	1	1	0	2	0
Highbury Primary	-	-	6	0	3	0	4	0
Langstone Infant	0	0	0	0	3	0	-	-
Mayfield School	-	-	2	0	5	0	7	0
Medina Primary	0	0	0	0	1	0	8	0
Meon Infant	4	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
Milton Park Primary	1	0	0	0	0	0	-	-
Northern Parade Infant	2	0	0	0	0	0	-	-
Penhale Infant	-	-	1	0	0	0	-	-
Portsdown Primary	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	0
Solent Infant	2	0	13	0	5	0	-	-
Southsea Infant	3	0	0	0	1	0	3	0
St George's Beneficial CE VC Primary	-	-	-	-	1	0	-	-
St John's Cathedral Catholic Primary	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	0
St Jude's CE Primary	4	0	2	0	1	0	2	0
St Paul's RC Primary	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	0
Stamshaw Infant	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	0

<sup>\*</sup>Latest data correct as of 21/07/17

For information on appeals prior to 2017 to Corpus Christi, St John's, St Paul's and St Swithun's please contact the school direct.

Independent appeals were made to the following junior schools for entry at the start of the academic year (not including in-year appeals) between September 2014 and September 2017.

### Transfer to junior school appeals

School	Appeals 2014		Appea	ls 2015	Appea	ls 2016	Appeals 2017*		
	Appeals heard	Admitted	Appeals heard	Admitted	Appeals heard	Admitted	Appeals heard	Admitted	
Copnor Primary	1	1	0	0	0	0	-	-	
Court Lane Junior	0	0	6	4	6	2	2	1	
Craneswater Junior	15	4	0	0	0	0	4	2	
Fernhurst Junior	4	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	
Langstone Junior	1	0	0	0	3	0	-	-	
Lyndhurst Junior	1	0	6	0	2	0	-	-	
Meon Junior	4	2	0	0	3	1	5	3	
Solent Junior	2	2	3	3	0	0	2	0	
Wimborne Junior	1	0	0	0	1	0	3	1	

<sup>\*</sup>Latest data correct as of 21/07/17

Independent appeals were made to the following secondary schools for entry at the start of the academic year (not including in-year appeals) between September 2014 and September 2017.

### **Secondary school appeals**

	2014	entry	2015	entry	2016	entry	2017 entry*		
	Appeals heard	Admitted							
Admiral Lord Nelson School	11	2	6	1	2	1	2	1	
Charter Academy	-	-	-	-	11	2	-	-	
Mayfield School	3	0	16	2	18	8	-	-	
Priory School	0	0	7	0	0	0	-	-	
Springfield School	0	0	11	3	9	3	-	-	
St Edmund's Catholic School	-	-	-	-	12	1	10	0	

<sup>\*</sup>Latest data correct as of 21/07/17

For information on appeals prior to 2016 for St Edmund's Catholic School and Charter Academy, please contact the schools direct.

# Useful information

### **Starting school**

### When can my child start school?

To start school in September 2018, your child must be born on or between **1 September 2013** and **31 August 2014**.

According to the law, your child must attend school at the start of the term following their fifth birthday. However, in Portsmouth, most children will start school when they are four years old.

Generally, most pupils will attend school on a full-time basis by the end of September 2018. Parents will need to contact schools direct for information as starting arrangements will vary between schools.

### Can I defer starting school for my child?

Once a child has been allocated a place, they can defer their child(ren)'s entry into school until the beginning of either the spring term or the summer term. Entry cannot be deferred beyond the beginning of term after the child's fifth birthday, or beyond the academic year for which the admission is sought. Parents may also request that their child attends on a part-time basis until the child reaches compulsory school age.

Once your child has a place confirmed, any discussions about deferring or attending part time should be with the headteacher of the school.

You will also not be entitled to any funding for a nursery place if you agree with the school part time attendance or deferred start date.

# Summer-born children – requests to delay entry into Year R

Parents have a right to request that their summerborn children start school in Year R the following academic year. The law has not been changed to give parents the right to insist their child starts in Year R the following year. Although you do not have to send your child to school until they are statutory school age, they will have to start in Year 1 if delayed entry has not been agreed.

You must apply for a place in your child's chronological age group and at the same time make a request that the LA agree to a delayed entry for your child. Please provide information about your reasons for requesting a delayed entry including any relevant medical/professional reports about your child. You must make your request by the closing date for applications of 15th January 2018. The LA will not consider requests for delayed entry into Year R after this date unless there are exceptional reasons for doing so.

A decision not to start your child at school in their chronological year group will not give you additional criteria for Early Years' funding. You should enquire about the possibility of keeping your child at a nursery and the funding available when you are considering delaying your child's start at school.

If a delay is agreed you will need to re-apply for a Year R place for the following academic year – places cannot be reserved. Please note that any subsequent schools are not legally required to continue this arrangement.



### Information on schools

Specific information on individual schools, such as opening times, school policies, uniform etc. can often be found in the school prospectus which can be obtained direct from the school or from the school's own website. Links to school websites are available on the council website—

www.portsmouth.gov.uk

### **Family Information Service**

The Family Information Service (FIS) provides tailored information, advice and guidance for families with children from pre-birth to 19 and those working with families.

#### Our services

We offer guidance on a range of topics, including:

- Childcare
  - Sourcing childcare, understanding the jargon, accessing financial support to pay for childcare
- Leisure opportunities
  - Children's Centres, local groups and clubs
- Rights for working parents
  - Maternity/paternity leave, flexible working options, taking time off for dependents
- Financial entitlements
  - Accessing family benefits; including funding for 2 year olds and early years education for 3–4 year olds, applying for free school meals and school transport, completing claim forms and estimating tax credits
- Family support

Help to make life as a parent/carer run smoothly

#### How to access the FIS

Telephone: 023 9268 8830

Email: fis@portsmouthcc.gov.uk

View: www.portsmouth.gov.uk and search

'family information'

#### Post or visit:

Family Information Service, Ground Floor, Civic Offices, Guildhall Square PO1 2DX

### When are we open?

The city helpdesk lines are open from 9am-4pm, **Monday**-**Friday** 

You can visit us from 9am-4pm **Monday-Friday**.

# **Special educational needs**

Many children and young people experience difficulties with learning at some point in their education. These are often temporary and are usually dealt with by the child's school. A very small number of children have significant, complex or long term needs. These children might need a coordinated assessment of Educational, Health and Care needs. Some of these children may be issued with an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP)—a legal document that describes special educational, health and care provisions and which school or further educational establishment the child or young person will attend.

Admissions arrangements for children with statements and EHCP's are managed by the local authority's SEND team, and not the Admissions Team.



Further information about SEND and the admissions arrangements for children with statements or Education Health and Care Plans is available at:

Web: www.portsmouth.gov.uk

Phone: 023 9284 1238

Email: sen.education@portsmouthcc.gov.uk

#### **Fair Access Protocol**

The Local Authority and schools have agreed a 'Fair Access Protocol' for certain categories of school age children. This protocol relates to admission applications throughout the year (but not children starting school, transferring to junior or secondary school in September). The protocol will take priority above the school's admission policy for those on a school's waiting list and may require schools to admit above their published admission limit.

# Admission out of chronological year group

Children will usually be admitted into their chronological year group except in exceptional circumstances and with the agreement of the school. Where children may have missed school, been educated in another country or have been out of education, these problems can be addressed by additional support in the child's chronological year group. For gifted and talented pupils, parents can discuss directly with a school the way it makes provision.

# **Elective home education** (educating your child at home)

Parents and carers intending to elective home educate with their child must inform their child's school in writing. If this is not done, the child will remain registered on their school's roll. If your child is not at school, please inform the Local Authority of your intention to home educate by contacting the School Attendance Team (see details below).

School Attendance Team, Floor 2, Core 5–6, Civic Offices PO1 2FA.

Tel: **023 9284 1419** 

Email:

ElectiveHomeEducation@portsmouth.gov.uk

Further details can be found at www.portsmouth.gov.uk

# Concerns about your child's education

If you have a concern about any aspect of your child's education you should speak to your child's teacher first. It is quite likely that you will be able to sort problems out this way. If not, you may then wish to raise the matter with the headteacher. If the issue is not resolved by the headteacher you can take it to the school governors. A copy of a school's complaint procedure is available from schools on request.

For further information see www.gov.uk



### Leave of absence in term time

Only headteachers can authorise a leave of absence in term time through a 'leave of absence form' which is available from schools. Parents are reminded that headteachers will decide on a case by case basis whether they will authorise this absence based on exceptional circumstances. If the leave is not authorised but taken, parents may receive penalty notices for the absence.

### School terms and holiday dates

#### Autumn Term 2018

3 September to 21 December

- Half term 22 October to 26 October
- Christmas 24 December to 4 January

### Spring Term 2019

7 January to 5 April

- Half term 18 to 22 February
- Easter 8 April to 22 April

#### Summer Term 2019

23 April to 23 July

- May Day-6 May
- Half term 27 to 31 May

#### School meals

Portsmouth City Council is very keen to promote healthy eating, particularly for school age children.

Primary schools in Portsmouth provide midday meals, offering a selection of meals, and vegetarian and special diet meals can be ordered. Primary school children may bring their own packed lunches. Most secondary schools in Portsmouth operate a cash cafeteria system at lunchtime. Some also offer a mid-morning snack service.

#### **Free School Meals**

Parent/carers of children in Yr 3 and above who are entitled to any of the following benefits are entitled to free school meals:

- Income Support
- Income based Jobseekers Allowance
- **Income based** Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guarantee element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax only, provided your annual household income (as by the evidence & customs) does not exceed £16,190
- Working Tax run-on-paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for work Tax Credit
- Universal Credit

The application form to apply for free school meals are available at school, Portsmouth City Council or to download at: **www.portsmouth.gov.uk** 



### Universal infant free school meal

All pupils in year R, 1 and 2 will be able to receive a school meal at no cost to the parent/guardian. School meals in the city are healthy, tasty, social and fun and will help parents to save up to £400 per year.

If you require more information please contact the Family Information Service on **023 9268 8830**.

### **Transport to school**

Transport assistance to mainstream or special schools is provided to children based on specific criteria laid out in the Home to School Travel Assistance Policy. For further information contact **023 9283 4962** or visit **www.portsmouth.gov.uk** 

# Funded Early Education (eligible two-year-olds)

If you meet the following criteria your child could be eligible for up to 15hrs of free childcare (if taken over 38 weeks per year, or around 11 hours per week if taken over 52 weeks a year):

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance (JSA)
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance (ESA)
- Support through part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act
- The guaranteed element of State Pension Credit
- Working Tax Credits and earn no more than £16,190 a year
- Child Tax Credit (but not Working Tax Credit) and have an annual income not over £16,190

 The Working Tax Credit 4-week run on (the payment you get when you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)

A child will also be eligible if any of the following apply:

- They have a current statement of Special Educational Needs (SEN) or an Education, Health and Care (EHC) Plan
- They get Disability Living Allowance
- They are looked after by their local authority

You can apply online for the two year old funding—**myeducation.portsmouth.gov.uk** 

# Universal Funded Early Education (all three and four-year-olds)

Universal funded childcare places ensure that children from 3 years old have access to high quality early years education in readiness for school. These places are offered to eligible parents free of charge.

Your child will be eligible from the term after their 3rd birthday until they start school, regardless of household income or family circumstances. Children are entitled to use up to 15 hours per week when taken over 38 weeks of the year. Some early years settings are able to offer fewer hours over more weeks; for example; around 11 hours per week taken over 52 weeks a year. Be sure to ask your chosen setting about what they can offer.

In Portsmouth there are a variety of providers offering the funded entitlement including nurseries and childminders. Parents should consult with the provider of their choice with regards to what sessions are available. Parents may not always be

able to access their full entitlement at the times they want, with the provider of their choice. In these circumstances, parents should contact the Family Information Service who can provide information about other settings that offer the entitlement.

For further information about Early Education Funding, approved settings, help with paying for childcare or general family enquiries; please contact the Family Information Service.

Phone: **023 9268 8830** 

Website: www.portsmouth.gov.uk

and search FIS

Email: fis@portsmouthcc.gov.uk

# **Extended Funded Early Education** (eligible three and four-year-olds)

In addition to the 'universal' 15 hours, some families are eligible for additional funded early education if they are working. Eligible families can access an additional 15 hours per week when taken over 38 weeks (a total of 30 hours per week). Some early years settings are able to offer fewer hours over more weeks; be sure to ask your chosen setting about what they can offer.

To find out more and apply for this extended funding you must visit **www.childcarechoices.gov.uk** 

# Delaying your child's start in school and funding.

A request and subsequent agreement, not to start your child at school in their chronological year group will impact on your entitlement to Funded Early Education; this will cease at the end of the term your child turns 5 years old. You should enquire about the possibility of keeping your child at their early years setting and whether they will continue to be able to access a free place if you are considering delaying your child's start at school.

# 2018/19 Academic year groups

Date of birth (between and inclusive of)	Age	Year	Key Stage
1 Sept 2014 to 31 Aug 2015			
1 Sept 2013 to 31 Aug 2014	4–5	R	1
1 Sept 2012 to 31 Aug 2013	5-6	1	1
1 Sept 2011 to 31 Aug 2012	6–7	2	1
1 Sept 2010 to 31 Aug 2011	7-8	3	2
1 Sept 2009 to 31 Aug 2010	8-9	4	2
1 Sept 2008 to 31 Aug 2009	9-10	5	2
1 Sept 2007 to 31 Aug 2008	10-11	6	2
1 Sept 2006 to 31 Aug 2007	11-12	7	3
1 Sept 2005 to 31 Aug 2006	12-13	8	3
1 Sept 2004 to 31 Aug 2005	13-14	9	3
1 Sept 2003 to 31 Aug 2004	14-15	10	4
1 Sept 2002 to 31 Aug 2003	15–16	11	4
	1 Sept 2014 to 31 Aug 2015  1 Sept 2013 to 31 Aug 2014  1 Sept 2012 to 31 Aug 2013  1 Sept 2011 to 31 Aug 2012  1 Sept 2010 to 31 Aug 2011  1 Sept 2009 to 31 Aug 2010  1 Sept 2008 to 31 Aug 2009  1 Sept 2007 to 31 Aug 2008  1 Sept 2006 to 31 Aug 2007  1 Sept 2005 to 31 Aug 2006  1 Sept 2004 to 31 Aug 2005  1 Sept 2003 to 31 Aug 2004	1 Sept 2014 to 31 Aug 2015  1 Sept 2013 to 31 Aug 2014  4-5  1 Sept 2012 to 31 Aug 2013  5-6  1 Sept 2011 to 31 Aug 2012  6-7  1 Sept 2010 to 31 Aug 2011  7-8  1 Sept 2009 to 31 Aug 2010  8-9  1 Sept 2008 to 31 Aug 2009  9-10  1 Sept 2007 to 31 Aug 2008  10-11  1 Sept 2006 to 31 Aug 2007  11-12  1 Sept 2005 to 31 Aug 2006  1 Sept 2004 to 31 Aug 2005  1 Sept 2003 to 31 Aug 2006  1 Sept 2004 to 31 Aug 2006  1 Sept 2003 to 31 Aug 2006  1 Sept 2004 to 31 Aug 2006  1 Sept 2003 to 31 Aug 2006  1 Sept 2003 to 31 Aug 2006  1 Sept 2003 to 31 Aug 2004  1 Sept 2003 to 31 Aug 2004	1 Sept 2014 to 31 Aug 2015  1 Sept 2013 to 31 Aug 2014  4-5  R  1 Sept 2012 to 31 Aug 2013  5-6  1  1 Sept 2011 to 31 Aug 2012  6-7  2  1 Sept 2010 to 31 Aug 2011  7-8  3  1 Sept 2009 to 31 Aug 2010  8-9  4  1 Sept 2008 to 31 Aug 2009  9-10  5  1 Sept 2007 to 31 Aug 2008  10-11  6  1 Sept 2006 to 31 Aug 2007  11-12  7  1 Sept 2005 to 31 Aug 2006  1 Sept 2004 to 31 Aug 2005  1 Sept 2003 to 31 Aug 2004  1 Sept 2003 to 31 Aug 2004  1 Sept 2003 to 31 Aug 2006

# Interpreting support for parents

This may be available from the Ethnic Minority Achievement Team depending on language and availability. Support can be arranged through the Admissions Team.

#### Pomoc tlumacza dla rodzicow

Tlumacz bedzie dostepny dla rodzicow pod warunkiem ze, EMAT bedzie mial osobe ktora mowi konkretnym jezykiem. Za organizacje pomocy jest odpowiedzialne Biuro Admissions. **023 9268 8008** 

Acest lucru poate fi disponibil cu ajutorul echipei Ethnic Minority Achievement depinzand de limba disponibilia. Support in clasa poate fi aranjat intermediul Serviciului de Admitere.



الترجمه لأولياء الأمور الغير ناطقين بالإنجليزيه هذه الخدمه ربما تكون متوفره لدى مكتب دعم الأقليات العرقيه للترجمه . وذلك حسب نوع اللغة المتوفره لدينا .

### 協助家長的翻譯服務

如果家長需此服務,教育收生部儘可能安排,由少數族裔成就社提供的語言翻譯。023 9268 8008

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# Useful contacts

### Portsmouth City Council

Admissions Team, Civic Offices, Guildhall Square, Portsmouth, PO1 2EA

Tel: 023 9268 8008 (City Helpdesk will be first point

of contact)

Email: admissions@portsmouthcc.gov.uk

Web: www.portsmouth.gov.uk

### Hampshire County Council

Tel: **0300 555 1377** 

Email: admissions.team@hants.gov.uk Web: www.hants.gov.uk/admissions

#### West Sussex County Council

Telephone: **033 301 42903** 

Email: admissions.south@westsussex.gov.uk

Web: www.westsussex.gov.uk

#### Southampton City Council

Tel: 023 8083 3004

Email: school.admissions@southampton.gov.uk

Web: www.southampton.gov.uk

#### GOV.UK

This is a government website and has a variety of information including information about schools, admissions and appeals.

Web: www.gov.uk

### The Advisory Centre for Education (ACE)

National charity which provides independent advice on education issues for parents of school age children, including advice on school admission and appeals.

Tel: **020 8888 3377** 

Web: www.ace-ed.org.uk

#### Department for Education

You can view information on school performance tables on this website—**www.education.gov.uk** 

### Family Information Service

Telephone: 023 9268 8830

Email: fis@portsmouthcc.gov.uk

#### Ofsted

Office for Standards in Education. You can view school Ofsted inspection reports on this website: **www.ofsted.gov.uk** 

#### Portsmouth Local Offer

Information on services for children and young people (0-25) with special educational needs or disabilities.

Web: www.portsmouthlocaloffer.org

#### Office of School Adjudicators

Deals with the legalities of and any objections to admission authority's procedures and policies.

Web: **www.gov.uk** (and search for 'school adjudicator')

# Summary of how to apply for a starting school place or a junior school place

# Step 1: Gain as much information as you can about the schools and admissions process

You are encouraged to request a copy of the school's prospectus from the school and you can also ask about any open days or evenings. You are also advised to read the guidance notes on the application form and in this booklet. You can speak to the Admissions Team for advice and information on **023 9268 8008** via City Helpdesk



# Step 2: Decide on your preferred schools

This should follow your visits to preferred schools and after you have considered the admission policies.



### Step 3: Apply

For starting school, apply online from **6 November 2017** at

www.portsmouth.gov.uk/schooladmissions or request and complete an application form.

For junior transfers, apply from **11 September 2017**.

You can state up to six preferences for starting school and three for junior, and must submit the online form or return the application form by **Monday 15 January 2018**. Guidance notes for completing your application are attached to the form and in this booklet.

The final decision regarding which preference to state lies with you.

# **Step 4: Return the application** form

Closing date Monday 15 January 2018.

You will not be able to apply online after the closing date.

Failure to apply on time will seriously affect your child's chances of being offered a place at your preferred school.

### Paper application froms

### For children starting school

You should send your application to your first preference school if it's a Portsmouth school or to the Admissions Team.

For children transferring from infant to junior school, applications should be returned to your child's current school.

If your child attends a school outside of the city or an independent school return the form to:

Admissions Team, Civic Offices, Guildhall Square, Portsmouth, PO1 2EA

! If you are posting your form we recommend you obtain proof of posting.

Any forms that arrive after this date will be regarded as late applications (see page 17 for exceptions).

We will acknowledge all on-time applications. Please contact us if you do not receive an acknowledgement letter before **March 2018**.



## **Step 5: Allocation**

Parents are advised of allocation via email (if applied online) or by letter sent on **Monday 16 April 2018**. Allocations cannot be notified by telephone.

# Summary of how to apply for a secondary school place

# Step 1: Attend the open evenings/days

Portsmouth secondary schools' open evenings/days will take place in September/ October 2017 and the dates of these can be found on page 7. Help and advice sessions are also available for parents (details included with application pack).

# Step 2: Decide on your preferred schools

This should follow your visit to a preferred school and after you have considered the admission policy.

### Step 3: Apply

Apply online from **11 September 2017** at **www.portsmouth.gov.uk/schooladmissions** or request and complete an application form.

You can state up to three preferences and must submit the online form or return the application form by

**Tuesday 31 October 2017**. Guidance notes for completing the application can be found on the form and in this booklet.

The final decision regarding which preferences to state lies with you.

# **Step 4: Return the application** form

Closing date **Tuesday 31 October 2017** 

Failure to apply on time will seriously affect your child's chances of being offered a place at your preferred school.

### **Paper application forms**

If your child attends a Portsmouth primary/junior school, you can return the form to your child's present school. If your child attends a school outside of the city or an independent school, return the form to:

Admissions Team Civic Offices, Guildhall Square, Portsmouth, PO1 2EA.

If you are posting your form we recommend you obtain proof of posting.

You will not be able to apply online after the closing date. Any forms that arrive after this date will be regarded as late applications. (see page 17 for exceptions).

The Admissions Team will acknowledge all on-time applications. Please contact the Admissions Team if you do not receive your acknowledgement letter before **January 2018**.

### **Step 5: Allocation**

Parents are advised of allocations by email (if applied online) or by letter sent on **Thursday 1 March 2018**. Allocations cannot be notified by telephone.







**Admissions Team Portsmouth City Council Civic Offices Guildhall Square Portsmouth** PO1 2EA

Tel: 023 9268 8008

Email: admissions@portsmouthcc.gov.uk













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