



Donisthorpe Primary School
Admissions Policy
Next review January 2023

2022-2023 Policy on Admissions

How parents can apply for their child to be admitted to our school

Admission to Donisthorpe Primary School is governed by Leicestershire County Council (LCC).

Applications for first time admissions should be made to LCC by the 15th January 2023, using their online application system.

The LA's annual admissions prospectus informs parents how to apply for a place at the school of their choice. Parents have a right to express their preference, but this does not, in itself, guarantee a place at that particular school. Application should be made on a form that can be obtained from the local Education Department or online at www.leics.gov.uk, forms should be returned by the date stipulated. The school will notify parents of the decision as soon as all the applications have been considered.

Children enter school at the start of the academic year in which they become five. There is one admission date per year, early in September (i.e. when the autumn term begins). Therefore, parents who would like their child to be admitted to this school during the year their child is five should ensure that they return the necessary application form by the LA stated deadline.

Admission appeals

If parents wish to appeal against a decision to refuse entry, they can do so by applying through the LA. An independent panel considers all such appeals, and its decision is binding for all parties concerned. If the appeals panel decides that we should admit a child to whom we had refused a place, then we will accept this decision and continue to do all we can to provide the best education for all the children at our school. (Further details of appeal arrangements are set out in the revised Code of Practice on School Admissions Appeals, which came into force in February 2012.)

The standard number

The 'standard number' is the number of children the LA considers the school can accommodate. The standard number for our school is 30 we keep this number under review, and the governors will apply to change the number if circumstances change.

Sizes of classes for infants

When classes are organised each year, we ensure that class sizes in Foundation and KS1 do not exceed 30 at the planning stage and will only exceed 30 in the most exceptional circumstances that are agreed by the Local Authority.