

## SLADEFIELD INFANT SCHOOL

## **Admissions Policy**

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Sladefield Infant School is a Local Authority maintained school that caters for children aged from 4-7 years old, from Reception to Year 2.

Sladefield Infant School follows Birmingham City Council's Admissions Policy.

Sladefield Infant School has the capacity to admit 120 children in Reception every September. However, due to falling birth rates in the local area, the school has dropped their PAN to 90 for September 2024 and September 2025. Children are admitted to Sladefield in accordance with parental preference as far as possible. However, where there are more applications than there are places available, overall priority is given to children with an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) that names Sladefield Infant School.

Priority is then given according to the following:

- 1. Looked After or previously Looked After children
- 2. Siblings (brother or sister who will be in attendance at the beginning of the academic year, in September, at Sladefield Infant School or Thornton Primary School)
- 3. Proximity to the school (children who live nearest to the school)

Any parent/carer is welcome to visit the school prior to requesting admission, and Open Day sessions are organised during the Autumn Term and advertised on the school's website. Parents/Carers can also request individual open sessions by contacting the school directly.

If you fail to gain a place at the school for your child, you have the right to appeal through the Local Education Authority.

For more information, visit: <a href="https://www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions">https://www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions</a>

Other children can be admitted in any year from Reception to Year 2 when places are available. The school operates a waiting list. **Please contact us on 0121 327 0662 to discuss the waiting list.** 

In all years there is often a waiting list. If your child is on the waiting list, you will be notified as soon as there is a vacancy. If your child is on the waiting list, there are Local Education Authority guidelines that the school has to adhere to.

As the school is an Infant School, parents/carers are required to complete the 'Transfer from Year 2 to Year 3' Local Authority application form during the year when their child is in Year 2.

Parents/Carers will be sent a letter advising them on how to apply for a Year 3 place when their child is in Year 2. Parents/Carers have to apply online; information about how this is completed is indicated in the letter that you receive. If parents/carers do not have access to technology allowing them to complete this application online, technology and support will be made available on the school site for parents/carers to use, if requested.

Children attending Sladefield Infant School are allocated a place at Thornton Primary School unless parents/carers apply for a different school; however, even if parents/carers do wish for their child to attend Thornton Primary School, they still need to complete the 'Transfer from Year 2 to Year 3' application form.