



Crow Orchard Primary School Admissions Policy

Crow Orchard Primary School is a Maintained school in Skelmersdale. The policy for admission is determined annually by the Governing Body in consultation with the Local Education Authority. The maximum number of pupils that the school will admit into Reception year group in the Autumn Term is 26.

If a school is oversubscribed, the following criteria will be applied in priority order:

(a) Children in Public Care, who are in public care at the time when preferences are expressed and are still expected to be in public care when admitted to the school, then

(b) Children with older brothers and sisters who will still be attending the school when the younger child starts, (see * below), then

(c) Children for whom the County Council accepts there are exceptionally strong medical, social or welfare reasons for admission, which are directly relevant to the school concerned **, then

(d) the remaining places will be allocated according to the distance between the child's home and school of the parent's preference and between home and the nearest suitable school with an available place. Priority is given to those children living nearer to the preferred school than the nearest alternative school.

** Brothers and sisters includes stepchildren, half brothers and sisters and foster children who are living with the same family at the same address.*

*** This category may include certain children with a Statement of Special Educational Need.*

Notes

(i) If category (a) (b) and/or (c) above is oversubscribed, category (d) will be used as a 'tie-breaker'.

(ii) Children will not normally start at a new school other than at the beginning of a term, unless they have moved into the area, or there are exceptional circumstances.