



ST. PIUS X PREP. SCHOOL

ADMISSIONS POLICY

Arrangements for Admission

St Pius X Prep School is an independent Catholic Preparatory School. It is a school which is recognised as part of the Lancaster Diocese.

- **Children are admitted to the school from the age of 2 years and up to 11 years old.**
- **Admission to Oak House Nursery is at anytime throughout the year, provided places are available.**
- **Admission to the Reception classes is in the September following the child's 4th birthday and at any other time during the year, subject to availability of places.**
- **Admission to the Infant department (key stage 1) and Junior department (key stage 2) is at the beginning of the academic year i.e. September. Application for places during the year is dependent on availability of places in classes/sets and suitability of applicant.**
- **Key Stage 1 (KS1) children are invited to join the school for 2 assessment days to determine their academic and social suitability for joining the school.**
- **KS2 children are invited to the school for 1 or 2 days to carry out internal entrance assessments to determine their academic levels.**

Admission criteria

In the case of a particular group being oversubscribed, a waiting list will operate. Applications will be considered in the following order of priority:-

- **Preference will be given to siblings (brothers or sisters) or those children who live at the same place of residence etc.**
- **Baptised Catholics**
- **Any parent seeking a Christian environment for their children's education.**

Special Educational Needs

Children with a statement of Special Educational Needs will be given equal consideration when applying for admission to the school.

The allocation of a place will only be given if the school is able to meet the special needs of the child within the normal context of the academic and social setting of the school. Statemented children cannot be funded from school resources; they are expected to pay full fees in accordance with the terms and conditions of the school.

Supplementary funding for individual children has to be provided by Lancashire County Education department.

How Parents can apply for a place at our School

Parents who wish their child to come to St. Pius X should use the following procedure.

- **Contact the school and request a prospectus**
- **Having received the prospectus, the parents then contact the school and make an appointment to come and meet the Head, Nursery Manager and have a tour of the school.**
- **If the parents then want to proceed, they should complete a registration form and send it to school with the registration fee.**

Admission Appeals

Any appeal regarding admission would be dealt with by the Head and Governing Body.

Date Summer Term 2009