



Admissions Policy for Great Dunmow Primary School – 2012/13

Places will be allocated up to the published admissions number for each year group. (60 children per year group.)

Where applications for admission exceed the number of places available, the following criteria will be applied in the order set out below, to decide which children to admit:

- Looked after children;
- Children resident within the priority admissions area with brother or sister (or step-brother/sister) attending the school at the time of admission;
- Other children resident within the priority admissions area;
- Children resident outside the priority admissions area with brother or sister (or step-brother/sister) attending the school at the time of admission;
- Other applications.

Medical grounds (supported by a doctor's certificate) for admitting the child may override the above criteria.

In the event of oversubscription within any of the above criteria, priority will be determined by proximity of the child's home to the school by straight line distance, those living nearer being accorded the higher priority. For children with a sibling admitted before 1st September 2008 attending the school, the priority admissions area includes roads in that area of the Priors Green housing development and to the west of Little Canfield that were formerly part of the priority admission area of Great Dunmow Primary School and Dunmow St Mary's Primary School (as defined on the map available at the school). The older sibling must still be in attendance at the time the younger child is admitted.

A waiting list will be kept by Essex County Council until the end of the first week of the Autumn Term and thereafter by the school until the end of the first term.

Distances are calculated by the Local Authority, as defined in the Primary Education in Essex booklet by use. 'All straight line distances are calculated electronically by the LA using data provided jointly by the Post Office and Ordnance Survey. The data plots the co-ordinates of each property and provides the address point between which straight line distance is measured and reported to three decimal places.'

Application, including late applications, will be handled in accordance with the co-ordinated admission scheme published by Essex County Council in the Primary Education in Essex booklet.

Early Years

All children whose birthdays are between 1st September and 31st August are to start school full time in September 2012.