



CHINLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

ADMISSIONS POLICY – 2026-2027 ACADEMIC YEAR

INTRODUCTION

Chinley Primary School is a 3-11 co-educational day school with approximately 225 children on roll in addition there is a Nursery for 3 and 4 year olds providing provision for full and half days which can cater for up to 26 children each session.

The school operates a single point system of admission into Reception class where the actual date of admission is normally in the September following a child's 4th birthday.

ADMISSION TO RECEPTION AND KEY STAGE 1 CLASSES

Chinley Primary School is a Foundation School. In accordance with current Department for Education (DfE) legislation, the published admission number is 30 pupils in Reception and each KS1 class.

The Governors will use the following criteria to determine which children are offered a place in the school. Priority will go to:

1. Any pupil who has an Educational Health and Care Plan (EHP) or statement of special educational needs naming our school.
2. 'Looked after children' / Children now adopted who were in care.
3. Children living in the normal area served by the school who have siblings attending the school ("Siblings" defined at the end of this policy document).

Details of normal area catchment are on the Derbyshire County Council website following the link:

<https://www.derbyshire.gov.uk/education/schools/school-places/normal-area-school-search/find-your-normal-area-school.aspx>

4. Children living in the normal area served by the school.
5. Other children who have siblings attending the school at the time of their admission. ("Siblings" defined at the end of this policy document)
6. Other children whose parents have requested a place.

Where in the case of (3) to (6) those children living nearest the school are given preference.

RECEPTION CLASS ADMISSIONS

Applications for a school place will be via the Local Authority (LA) coordinated scheme.

Parents are invited to express preferences for schools within the LA area either online (their preferred method), by phone or on a common application form which the LA provides.

The school then applies the admissions criteria to the list as provided by the LA of prospective pupils. DCC then notify parents by post on the 'offer day', normally in April, of a single offer of a primary school place.

We will follow the LA Co-ordinated Scheme for matters such as waiting lists, late applications appeal dates and in-year applications.



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JUNIOR TRANSFERS (Y3) FROM INFANT SCHOOLS

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ADMISSION TO SCHOOL – IN-YEAR ADMISSIONS

In accordance with current Department for Education (DfE) legislation, the published admission number is 30 pupils in Reception and each KS1 class.

The Published Admission Number (PAN) of Key Stage 2 class size is 33 pupils.

Applications are made using the online system through the LA as referred to above. In the event of multiple applications being received, the admission criteria will be used by the LA to determine which children are offered a place.

Attendance of the school Nursery is not a guarantee of admission into Chinley School Reception Class.

"Siblings" are defined as any child who lives on a permanent basis with the sibling who already attends the school.

Reviewed by Peter Lambert

Next review: January 2026

Agreed by Full Governing Body: FB060225/11a