



Admissions

policy- Bentilee

Nursery school

May 2018-May 2019

Attendance at school is not a requirement at this age but is at the discretion of parents.

Bentilee Nursery school admits children from 2-4 years old.

2 year olds

We admit children the term after they are 2. These children can be admitted for free as long as parents are eligible for the 2 year old funding. Parents not eligible for the 2 year old funding can still have their child admitted. (Please contact the school for current fees).

We operate part time provision. We have 2 classes:-

Class 1- Monday 9am-3pm, Tuesday 9am-3pm, and Wednesday 8.30-11.30am

Class 2- Wednesday afternoon 12.15pm to 3.15pm, Thursday 9am-3pm and Friday 9am-3pm

We need children to attend for the full 2 and a half days for the school to remain sustainable.

If a fee paying parent wanted their child to attend less days than the 2 and a half days - this would only be possible if:-

- The school could not fill the available places with funded children*
- The school has enough staffing to ensure the ratio of 1:4 was met*

3 and 4 year old children

We admit children the day after they are 3 - these are called rising 3s. To be eligible to be admitted for free (no payment) parents have to be eligible for the 2 year old funding. When it is the term after they are 3 they can attend for free.

If your child is a rising 3 the school still accesses 2 year old funding for your child until the term after they are 3. We need children to attend for the full 2 and a half days for the school to remain sustainable.

If a fee paying parent wanted their child to attend less days than the 2 and a half days - this would only be possible if:-

- The school could not fill the available places with funded children*
- The school has enough staffing to ensure the ratio 1:13*

We also admit children termly- September, January and Easter. These are free places Children start the term after they are 3 years old. Of course children who move schools or have moved into the area can start within each term.

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Class 2- Wednesday afternoon 12.15pm to 3.15pm, Thursday 9am-3pm and Friday 9am-3pm

Oversubscription criteria

Where there are more applications for the nursery school than there are places the following priorities will be used, in order, to allocate places:-

- Children in the care of the local authority and children who were previously looked after but ceased to be so because they were adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order or special guardianship order).
- Children living within the catchment (the child's home address is used to determine the catchment for that property) who have an elder brother or sister at the school who will still be attending at the time of admission.
- Other children living within the catchment.
- Children living outside the catchment who have an elder brother or sister at the school who will still be attending at the time of admission.
- Children who live nearest to the school as determined by a straight line measurement from the child's home address point to the main entrance of the school. The Local Authority uses a geographical information system (GIS) to calculate home to school distances. Distances are calculated on the basis of a straight line measurement from the applicant's home address point, to the point at each school. ***In the case of Bentilee Nursery school it is outside entrance gate to the school.*** Both address points are plotted using the Local Land and Property Gazetteer (LLPG) and OS Address Point data.