
Proposed Admissions September 2023/2024

Christ the King Primary School is a Catholic School in the trusteeship of the Diocese of Salford. It is maintained by Lancashire County Council and is a voluntary aided school. The Governing board is the admissions authority and is responsible for taking all decisions on applications for admissions. The co-ordination of admissions arrangements is undertaken by the Local Authority.

For the school's year commencing September 2023, the governing board has determined that the number of children to be admitted in September 2023 will be 30

The school's role is to participate in the mission of the Catholic Church by providing a curriculum, including Catholic religious education and worship, which will help children to grow in their understanding of the Good News and in the practice of their faith. The school will help the children develop fully as human beings and prepare them to undertake their responsibilities as Catholics in society. The school requires all parents applying for a place here to understand and respect this ethos and its importance to the school community. This does not affect the rights of parents who are not of the Catholic faith to apply for a place here.

Admissions to the school will be determined by the governing board. Parents must complete a Local Authority Preference Form or apply online via the website [here](#). If you wish to have your application considered against the school's religious criteria, then you must ALSO complete the supplementary form (attached) a copy of which is available from the school.

If there are fewer than 30 applications, all applicants will be offered places. If there are more applications than the number of places available, the following oversubscription criteria will be applied:

1. Baptised Roman Catholic Looked After Children, Baptised Roman Catholic previously Looked After Children and Baptised Looked After Children adopted from overseas #.
2. Baptised Catholic Children who have a sibling[^] in the school at the time of admission.
3. Baptised Roman Catholic children in the parish of The Good Samaritan and living in the following catchment area (*Along the M65 Motorway from the point where it crosses Green Brook to where it crosses the River Calder, then by the River Calder to Ashfield Road, along Ashfield Road, Westgate, Queen's Lancashire Way, Hammerton Street and Finsley Gate to the canal bridge, then by a bee-line through the junction of Marlborough Street and Springfield Road and passing between Rumley Road (Christ the King parish) and Brunswick Street (St Mary's parish) to the railway underbridge at Kirkgate, then by the railway to the tunnel entrance south of Priory Court and by a south-westerly bee-line*

to the Burnley Rossendale District boundary at Limy Water near Clowbridge Reservoir; by this boundary to the junction of the Burnley, Rossendale and Hyndburn boundaries at Higher Moor and then by a north easterly bee-line to the Green Brook at the western end of Burnley Cemetery by Billington Road and by this brook to the M65 Motorway.).

4. Baptised Catholic children resident in another parish.
5. Looked After Children, previously Looked After Children and Looked After Children adopted from overseas.
6. Other children who have a sibling in the school at the time of admission.
7. All remaining applicants.

A Looked After Child is a child who is (a) in the care of a Local Authority, or (b) being provided with accommodation by a Local Authority in the exercise of their Social Services functions (under section 22(1) of the Children Act 1989. A previously Looked After Child is one who immediately moved on from that status after becoming subject to an adoption, residence, or special guardianship order. ***Included in this definition are those children who appear to the governing board to have been in state care outside of England and who ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted. (Code 2021).***

^ The sibling must be a pupil in school on the first day of the Autumn term in the year of admission. Sibling is defined in these arrangements as full, half or stepbrothers and sisters, adopted and foster brothers and sisters who are living at the same address and are part of the same family unit. This does not include cousins or other family relationships.

Where the number of applicants in any category exceeds the number of places remaining available, the highest priority will be given to those living closest to the school. The distance measure is a straight line (radial) measure from centre of building to centre of building.

Notes for Applicants:

- a) All applications will be considered at the same time and after the closing date for admissions which is 15th January 2022. Applications received after this date will be treated as a late application and will not be considered until after the main allocation of places has taken place.
- b) For a child with Special Educational Needs. A written application should be submitted in advance of the normal admissions timetable. Where the child has an Educational Health Care Plan specifying the school, the governing board must be notified in advance of being nominated.
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governing board to have been in state care outside of England and who ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted.

- d) For a child to be considered as Catholic, evidence of a Catholic Baptism or reception into the Catholic Church is required. Written evidence of reception into the Catholic Church can be obtained by referring to the Register of Receptions, or in some cases a sub-section of the Baptismal Registers of the Church in which the Rite of Reception took place. If, for example, a child has been Baptised in the Church of England and the parents are subsequently admitted to the Catholic Church through the RCIA programme, the child must also be admitted to the Church by the Rite of Reception.
- e) The governing board will require written evidence in the form of a Certificate of Reception before applications for school places can be considered for categories of 'Baptised Catholics'. A Certificate of Reception is to include full name, date of birth, date of reception and parent(s) name(s). The certificate must also show that it is copied from the records kept by the place of reception.
- f) Those who have difficulty obtaining written evidence of baptism for a good reason, may still be considered as Baptised Catholics but only after they have been referred to the parish priest who, after consulting with the Episcopal Delegate will decide how the question of baptism is to be resolved and how written evidence is to be produced in accordance with Canon Law.
- g) Home Address is considered to be the address where the child normally lives. Where care is split and a child moves between two addresses, the household in receipt of the child benefit would normally be the address used but the admission authority body reserves the right to request other evidence as fit the individual circumstance. Applicants should not state the address of another relative or person who has daily care of the child.
- h) 'Sibling' is defined in these arrangements as full, half or stepbrothers and sisters, adopted and foster brothers and sisters who are living at the same address and are part of the same family unit. This does not include cousins or other family relationships.
- i) A waiting list for children who have not been offered a place will be kept and will be ranked according to the admission criteria. The waiting list does not consider the date the application was received, or the length of time a child's name has been on the waiting list. This means that a child's position on the list may change if another applicant is refused a place and their child has higher priority in the admissions criteria.
- j) For 'In Year' applications received outside the normal admissions round, if places are available, they will be offered to those who apply. If there are places available but more applicants than places, then the published oversubscription criteria will be applied.
- k) If an application for admission has been turned down by the Governing Board, parents may appeal to an independent appeals panel. Parents must be allowed at least twenty school days from the date of notification that their application was unsuccessful to submit that appeal.

Parents must give reasons for appealing in writing and the decision of the appeals panel is binding on the governors.

- l) The governing board reserve the right to withdraw the offer of a school place where false evidence is received in relation to the application.
- m) It is the duty of governors to comply with regulations on class size limits for children aged between rising five and seven. The governing board may exceed the regulations for twins and children from multiple births where one of the children is the 30th child admitted. This also applies to in-year applicants who are looked after/previously looked after children of UK service personnel or children who move into the area for whom there is no other school available within a reasonable distance.
- n) If a child is a “summer born child”, parents may request that the date their child is admitted to school is deferred to later in the school year. However, the child must start school before the end of that school year.
- o) Parents may request that their child attend school part-time until he/she reaches his/her fifth birthday.
- p) If a parent wishes their child to be educated out of their normal school year (kept back a year), they must discuss this with the school before applying. However, the final decision on this rests with the Admission Committee.

NOTE: It is the responsibility of the parents to provide:

- *A valid postal address and email address for school to use to contact them for information*
- *All the information as requested by the school within the stipulated timescales*

School places are announced for primary schools on 16 April 2023. If this date falls on a weekend, confirmations are sent the next working day.

If you applied online, Lancashire County Council will email primary school offers in batches on the morning of 16 April 2023 and then publish the offers online. If you applied late, you may receive your offer after the official offer date. If you submitted a paper application form, you'll receive your offer by second class post, which will arrive after the official offer date.



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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION FORM 2023/2024

Name of Applicant: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Address of Applicant: _____

Telephone Numbers: _____

Email Address: _____

Please confirm that the applicant is a Baptised Roman Catholic?

Yes

No

If yes, the baptismal certificate must be presented to the school before 31st January 2022.

If your child is Baptised Roman Catholic, please indicate the Parish Community which you

live/worship: _____

Additional Information to support application for admission:

Does your child have any exceptional needs?

I hereby apply for a place at Christ the King Roman Catholic Primary School for the child named above.

Signature of Parent: _____ Name: _____

Date: _____