

# St Chad's CofE Nursery and Infant School

# **Nursery Admissions Policy**

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# Information about the Foundation Stage

There are strict ratios of 1:13 for Nursery settings. There needs to be at least one trained adult for every 13 children in Nursery.

At St Chad's CofE Nursery and Infant School, the Foundation Stage Leader is Miss K Gilsenan. We have a minimum of one trained adult for sessions with 13 Nursery children.

# What is a child entering Nursery eligible for?

Children are eligible to be admitted to Nursery the term after they turn three years old, providing there is an available place available in school. All three and four year olds are eligible for 15 hours (a week) of free Nursery entitlement (funded by the Government). Children can spend a maximum of five terms in Nursery depending on their date of birth.

# Putting a child's name on the Nursery 'Waiting List'

Parents / Guardians wishing to apply for a Nursery place at St Chad's CoE Nursery and Infant School will need to contact the school directly and arrange a convenient time to come in and complete a Nursery Waiting List Application with a member of the office staff. Nursery places are in high demand and we recommend Parents / Guardians contact school as soon as possible to register for a Nursery place for their child.

The allocation of Nursery places is in accordance with the Governors' agreed oversubscription criteria.

# Nursery Provision at St Chad's CoE Nursery and Infant School

The maximum number of children that can be accommodated in Nursery is 13. At present, our Nursery sessions run across the mornings (8:45am-11:45am), Monday to Friday.

This will be reviewed annually according to need.

## Admissions procedures

The school will offer open events and school visits to all potential applicants, irrespective of any protected characteristics. Where necessary, the school will make reasonable adjustments for disabled applicants or disabled parents.

The school may assess its ability to cater to the applicant's needs by:

- Visiting the applicant's home
- Visiting the applicant's current education provision
- Inviting the applicant to attend the school

# Induction arrangements

At St Chad's, we believe in giving every child and parent/guardian the best start. We provide a range of opportunities to build strong relationships prior to a child starting school to ensure we are well equipped with as much information as possible to meet the needs of each individual family.

- 1. Parents/guardians are encouraged to make an appointment to walk around the school environment to share our school ethos and values.
- 2. A member of the admin team will call a parent/guardian to make an appointment to complete induction paperwork in school.
- 3. The EYFS Lead will complete the induction paperwork with parent/guardian and child at school (See appendix):
- School admissions form
- Pupil checklist
- o Sun safety letter



- Video and photo consent policy
- Home school agreement
- Derby Dental services
- Pupil premium form
- Attendance information
- Class Dojo log in details
- Save the date parent induction meeting

Parents are asked to bring ID, the child's Birth Certificate, National Insurance numbers, emergency contact details, GP information and dental information.

- 4. A letter of confirmation will be sent to parent/guardians to confirm their child's school place
- 5. All parent/guardians are invited to attend a parent induction meeting to learn about the school' expectations, ethos and values.
- 6. All parent/guardians will receive a home visit by two members of our St Chad's EYFS team. Staff will complete a home visit form. At this time, staff will discuss support from health visitors, embedding good routines and play and learning opportunities at home.
- 7. Parent/guardians are invited to 'stay and play' with their child in their new class to support settling in.
- Parent/guardians are encouraged to support settling their child into school life. For some children this does take some time. Staff will give regular updates on each child's progress of settling in.
- 9. It is the responsibility of the parent/guardian to complete medication forms and bring any labelled prescribed medication into school as needed
- 10. The New Communities Team will support with translation and sharing school expectations, if necessary.

# **Toileting and Intimate Care**

We will not refuse a child entry to Nursery if they are not yet toilet trained. If a child is not toilet trained and uses nappies or pull-ups it is the responsibility of the Parent / Guardian to provide school with a supply of nappies / pull-ups (at least 5-6) and wet wipes so that staff can change the child as necessary whilst they are in school. If children are not toilet trained, we will encourage and support Parents / Guardians to begin toilet training prior to attending Nursery. If a child is in the early stages of toilet training it is the responsibility of the Parent / Guardian to provide a bag with 2-3 pairs of underwear and a change of trousers / skirt to be used as necessary. During the school induction process Parents / Guardians will need to agree to our Intimate Care policy, a copy of the policy can be made available at request.

# **Key Worker Groups**

Nursery is divided into key worker groups. Each group has a maximum of 13 children. A qualified Teacher or Teaching Assistant will lead a Key Worker Group. Additional Teaching Assistants may be present to support specific named children. Occasionally other adults may be present in Nursery, this includes students or volunteers who are all DBS checked and have completed the school's staff induction procedures.

# Attendance and Punctuality

All children must be accompanied to and from school by a known adult (age 18 or older). All children should be brought on time to the start of the session and picked up promptly at the end of the session. The school does not authorise holidays or extended leave during term time and doing so may result in your child losing their Nursery place. Parents / Guardians are expected to contact the school if a child is ill and unable to attend school or if they are going to be absent from school at any time, following our school's Attendance Policy.



# Withdrawal of Nursery Place

A Nursery place will be withdrawn if 10 sessions are missed without authorisation or without contact being made by a Parent / Guardian providing an adequate reason for the absence.

If a parent wishes to withdraw their nursery place they must write a letter addressed to the Head teacher. This must include the date of the last day the child will attend nursery and a reason for withdrawing the school place.

# Snack

The Government provide a daily healthy snack of fruit and milk or water to every child in Nursery. Children have access to water every day at school. Parents/Guardians are asked to make a voluntary contribution of 50p per week to purchase additional snack and for malleable resource such as playdough.

# School Uniform

All children attending St Chad's CofE Nursery and Infant School wear school uniform, including children in the Nursery. The school uniform is as follows:

- Red jumper or cardigan (logo optional)
- Black or grey trousers or skirt
- White shirt or polo shirt
- Black shoes (flat)
- Details of where to buy official Logo jumpers / cardigans will be available from the school office. Children in Nursery are also required to wear a PE kit, which consists of:
- White t-shirt
- Black shorts or leggings
- Black PE pumps

# Allocation of places and oversubscription criteria

When the Nursery is oversubscribed, priority for admission will then be given to those children who meet the criteria set out below, in order:

- 1. Children known by the local authority to have identified additional needs with an Education and Healthcare plan (EHC plan) and whose needs can be best met at the preferred setting.
- 2. A 'looked after child' or a child who was previously looked after but immediately after being looked after became subject to an adoption, residence, or special guardianship order in accordance with Section 22(1) of the Children Act 1989.
- 3. Children who are both living in the catchment area served by the school and have brothers or sisters\* of compulsory school age still attending the school at the time of their admission.
- 4. Other children living in the catchment area at the time of admission.
- 5. Children who do not live in the catchment area served by the school but who have brothers or sisters\* of compulsory school age attending the school at the time of their admission.
- 6. St Chad's children whose parents request a place on religious grounds as stated on their application form.
- 7. Other children whose parents have requested a place.
- 8. Children whose parents did not request a place by 15 January 2020.

\* For the purposes of admissions, we class a brother or sister as:

- having one or both natural parents in common
- are related by a parent's marriage
- are adopted or fostered.

Note: a brother or sister must be living at the same address. Cousins are not classed as brothers or sisters.



Where we have to make a choice between children who meet the same criteria, we will give priority to the child living nearest to the school, measured by a straight line. The line will be measured from the home address to the school using the national Ordnance Survey set points.

Please note that if a child already attends Nursery at St Chad's CofE Nursery and Infant School, this does not automatically give them a place in Reception. Applications for a Reception place must be applied through the Local Authority (Derby City Council).

As there is no statutory right to a Nursery place, there is no right of appeal against refusal.



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## Appendix Admissions paperwork

### Welcome Letter

Dear Parent / Carer.

Nursery Information XXXXXXXX

We are thrilled that your child will soon be starting school in our FS1 Nursery class at St Chad's Cott Nursery and Infant School on Thursday 12th September 2019.

This academic year, we are making some exciting changes to our Foundation Stage unit. Our Nursery and Reception children will be coming together as one Foundation Stage class. Their class name will be the Brave Bears.

#### Attendance Information

Your child will be attending nursery for 5 mornings: 8.45am-11.45am Monday to Friday.

At St Chad's, we are committed to ensuring regular school attendance for every child in our care. Please support us by ensuring that your child starts their nursery session promptly and on time.

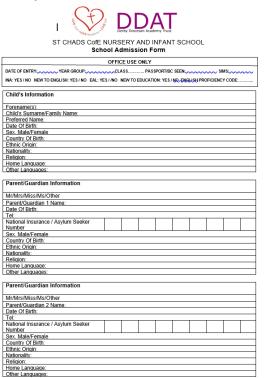
We set an attendance target of 96% for every child in school. Please familiarise yourself of our vve set an autenoance target of 96% tor every child in school. Please familiarise yourself of our attendance procedures: if your child is unwell, please call the school office before 9.30am on 01332 345997. Mrs Lambert is employed as our Attendance Officer and works in our main school office. Attendance and punctuality are both monitored carefully. If your child's attendance becomes a concern, teachers will meet with you to discuss ways this could be improved over time.

We recognise that children have periods in which they are genuinely poorly and need to stay at home. However, as a school we would like to raise parent's awareness or how long to keep a child absent from school in the event of illness and the impact of children's learning when there are random days of absence 'here and there'. Below is some useful guidance from the NHS explaining when your child should/should not be kept off school due to illness:



We understand that our very youngest children in nursery are still establishing good sleep routines and that waking them in the morning can be more challenging. However, this is not a valid reason for keeping your child off school. Our Nursery places are precious. They are fully funded through the government and we are only able to offer a limited number of spaces. All Nursery children are expected to attend every day in the same way as our older children thermohead the pret of constraints. throughout the rest of our school.

## Nursery Admissions Form



#### Class Information

Miss Gilsenan is the Foundation Stage Leader and will be your child's main class teacher Throughout the week, Miss Holland, Mrs Clarke and Mrs Maciejewska will also be teaching your

The teachers will arrange a 1:1 meeting with you if your child is currently in pull-ups or nappies. A toileting plan will be agreed for both home and school to support your child to become independent in their self-care over time. Please share any worries or concerns.

We would like to invite you and your child to Stay and Play sessions (transition week):

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July 2019 9.15am-10.15am Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2019 9.15am-10.15am Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2019 9.15am-10.15am Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2019 9.15am-10.15am Friday 19th July 2019 9.15am-10.15a

You and your child will have the opportunity to explore our indoor and outdoor environment and ask any questions you might have. We ask that you attend each session so that the teachers can get to know you and your child better. If you are unable to attend please contact the school office.

During transition week we will be visiting your family at home on **xxxxxx** Making strong links between home and school is key to developing children's skills and development. This is an opportunity to see your child in their home environment and talk through the interests so that we can provide similar toys and books to help your child feel more comfortable in our school surroundings.

Yours sincerely

K Gilsenan

Miss K Gilsenan Foundation Stage Leader



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#### PHOTOS AND VIDEOS CONSENT FORM

#### Why do we need your consent?

St Chad's CofE Nursery and Infants School requests the consent of parents/guardians to use photos and videos of their child for a variety of different purposes.

Without your consent, the school will not use photos and videos of your child.

Why do we use photos and videos of your child?

St Chad's CofE Nursery and Infants School uses photos and videos of pupils as part of school displays to celebrate school life and pupils' achievements; to promote the school on social media and on the school's website; and for other publicity purposes in printed publications, such as newspapers.

Where the school uses photos of individual pupils, the full name of the pupil will not be

#### Who else uses photos and videos of your child?

The school may be visited by local media and press, who take photos or videos of school events, such as sports days. Pupils will appear in these photos and videos, and these may be published in local or national newspapers, or on approved websites.

The following organisations may use photos and videos of your children: Derby Telegraph (newspaper). Where any other organisations intend to use photos or videos of your child, additional consent will be sought before any image or video is used.

#### What are the conditions of use?

- This consent form is valid for the entire time your child attends St Chad's CofE Nursery and Infants School
- It is the responsibility of parents to inform the school, in writing, if consent needs to be withdrawn or amended
- The school will not use the personal details or full names of any pupil in a photo or video, on our website, in our school prospectuses or any other printed publications. The school may use pictures of pupils and teachers that have been drawn by pupils.
- The school may use work created by pupils. The school may use group or class photos or videos with general labels, e.g. 'sports
- day
- The school will only use photos and videos of pupils who are suitably dressed. The school will appoint a professional photography company to take photos of your child, individually and with their class / group, which are available to purchase annually
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#### SUN SAFETY AND SUNCREAM

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Now that we are approaching the warmer and hopefully sunnier months, we want to ensure that every child in school is kept safe from the sun.

We ask that all children have sun cream applied to them at home before arriving at school in the morning. This will offer protection throughout the school day.

We also ask that sunhats are in school. Please ensure that your child's name is labelled on their hat.

As part of our commitment to educating the children about the importance of sun safety, we also have sun cream available in every classroom. This year, we have purchased our sun cream from Aldi (SPF Factor 30). On very hot/sunny days, we will be encouraging children to apply 'top up' cream to their faces, necks and arms. <u>This is a 'top up' application and will not replace the full application of the day, which must be done at home.</u>

Staff are unable to apply sun cream to any child. Please practise with your child applying sun cream and rubbing it in evenly. This is especially important for younger children.

We require parental permission for sun cream use in school. Please can you kindly complete the permission slip below and return to your child's class teacher.

Thank you for your continued support. By working together, we can help to keep our children 'sun safe' over the coming months.

Yours sincerely

K Leach

Ms K Leach Head of School

# **Derby Dental**

	NHS	
Derby NHS Dental Practices	Derbyshire Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust	
Normanton Road Family Dentist Centre	Mxdentist.	
254 Normanton Road	53 Harrington Street	
Normanton	Derby	
Derbyshire	Derbyshire	
DE23 6WD	DE23 8PF	
Tel: 01332 242526	Tel: 01332271321	
Trinity Terrace Dental Practice	Mydentist.	
113 London Road	Sinfin Moor Health Centre	
Derby	Sinfin District Centre	
Derbyshire	Derby	
DE1 2QS	DE24 3D5	
Tel: 01332344810	Tel: 01332 973080	
Dove Dental	Revive Dental Practice	
33-35 Normanton Road	23 Roe Farm Lane	
Derby	Chaddesden.	
Derbyshire	Derby	
DE1 "GJ	DE21 GET	
Tel: 01332 345222	Tel: 01332 666646	
Central Dental Practice	Dental Perfection @ Littleover	
52-56 Curzon Street	Hollybrook,Medical Centre,	
Derby	Hollybrook.way	
Derbyshire	Derby	
DE1 1LP	Derbyshire	
	DE23 3TX	
Tel: 01332 202200	Tel: 01332 411211	
Chaddesden Dental Practice	Charming Smiles Dental Practice	
466 Nottingham Road	1089 London Road	
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# Home Visit Induction



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# Home Visit Induction

Name:		DOB:			
Personal Social And Emotional Development					
Is your child toilet trained? Yes/No					
Does your child wear a pull-up or a nappy? Yes/No What degree?					
Any concerns raised at Health	Care visits?				
Does your child use a dummy? Yes/No					
Does your child have a milk bottle? Yes/No					
Does your child travel in a pushchair? Yes/No					
Describe your daily routine:					
Describe come ability aliation					
Describe your child's diet/m		<b>T</b>	Carada		
Breakfast	Lunch	Tea	Snacks		
Sleep Routines					
What time does your child go f	to bed?				
Does your child sleep through the night? Yes/No					
Where does your child sleep? Who with?					
Does your child have a nap during the day? Yes/No					
Relationships					
Does your child spend time with other children who are the same age? Yes/No					
Can your child share and take turns? Yes/No					
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Personality of your child e.g. shy, loud, quiet:					
Describe your child's behaviour:					

