



Admissions criteria for Flora Gardens Primary School Nursery class

Date: May 2018

If there are more applications than places, Flora Gardens gives preference to children in the following order:

1. Children in public care (those looked after by a local authority under section 22 of the Children Act 1989).
2. Children defined as being in priority need within the categories of need defined by the Children Act 1989 or as having an otherwise professionally supported exceptional education, medical or social need for a particular school (see note 1).
3. Children who have a brother or sister already in the school. If there are more children with siblings in the school than places available, places will be allocated to those children with siblings who live nearest to the school in terms of walking distance (see note 3).
4. Children who are committed to staying at Flora Gardens until they leave in Y6.
5. Children who live nearest the school in terms of walking distance (see note 3).
6. Flora Gardens expect attendance to be over 97% for the year and retain the right to withdraw the place if attendance falls below this figure.

Notes:

1. If you think your child has an exceptional educational, social or medical need for a particular school, your case must be supported by documented evidence from a doctor, health visitor, social worker or other medical professional. You have to submit this evidence when you make your application. You will need to show why your preferred school is the only school that meets your child's social or medical need. The decision on whether your child qualifies on medical or social grounds is made by us, the local authority.
2. Sibling refers to brother or sister, half-brother or sister, adopted brother or sister, step-brother or sister, or the child of the parent/carer's partner where the child for whom the school place is sought is living in the same family at the same address as that sibling.
3. We measure distances by the shortest walking route, via public rights of way, from a central point of the child's home address (including flats) to the main entrance of the school, using our computerised measuring system. Those living closer to the school get the higher priority.
4. Under present education law, there is no right of appeal if your child is unsuccessful in getting a place.