

MOTTRAM ST. ANDREW PRIMARY ACADEMY ADMISSIONS CRITERIA 2019

In the event of Mottram St. Andrew Primary Academy receiving more applications for places than there are places available, the criteria set out below in priority order will be applied.

1. Cared for children (ie those who are cared for by the Local Authority as defined in section 22 of the Children Act 1989) and children previously cared for and who leave care through adoption, child arrangement order or special guardianship order
2. Children living in the Civil Parish of Mottram St. Andrew on the 15th January 2019. A map detailing the boundary of the parish is available from the school
3. Where the children have a sibling who will be attending Mottram St Andrew Primary Academy or The Fallibroome Academy at the time of admission. Sibling refers to brothers or sisters, step-brothers or step sisters, half brothers and half-sisters, adopted brothers or sisters living for all or part of the time at the same address as part of the same family.
4. Children of staff where the member of staff has been in post for at least two years at the time of admission.
5. All other pupils.

Section 324 of the Education Act 1996 requires the governing bodies of all maintained schools to admit a child with a Statement of Special Educational Needs or an Education, Health and Care Plan that names their school.

In the event that the school has received more applications for places than there are places available within any of the above categories, then priority for the final places(s) will be given to the pupil(s) whose permanent address is nearest to the school as determined using the National Land and Property Gazetteer (NLPG) which measures straight line distances in miles from the school's coordinate point to the point of the residence's coordinate point.

The school operates an "equal preference" system in line with that operated by Cheshire East Council.

Children aged five between the 1st September 2019 and the 31st August 2020 will be admitted to a reception class in September 2019. The closing date for application for places is the 15th January 2019. Our published admission number is 24.

Offers will be made on 16th April 2019. Places should be accepted by 30th April 2019. Where this is not possible the individual case will be considered by the Admissions Committee of the Governing Body after which the offer will be withdrawn unless there are exceptional circumstances.

During the normal admission round, the school will consider all applications received by the closing date before applications received after the closing date unless there are extenuating circumstances.

Where places become available after the initial intake the admissions criteria stated above will be applied in the same priority order. Waiting lists will be held in criteria order and not on a 'first come, first served' basis.

Parents of children who are admitted to the school before they are of compulsory school age can defer their child's entry until later in the school year. Where entry is deferred, the school will hold a place for that child and not offer it to another child. Please note that a parent can not defer entry beyond the beginning of the term after the child's fifth birthday, nor beyond the academic year for which the original application was accepted.

The school will consult on any proposed changes to its admissions arrangements with the relevant bodies. It has established arrangements for appeals against non-admissions. All appeals must be made within 20 school days.