

St Peter's Catholic Primary School



Arrangements for Admission to Foundation 1 2026-2027

Process of application

Applications for Foundation 1 places at St Peter's Catholic Primary School are not part of the Wirral Children's Services co-ordinated admissions arrangements and should be made direct to School on our Foundation 1 application form. Applicants should reach the age of 3 or 4 during the year 1st September 2026 to 31st August 2027. The application form should be completed and returned to School by 1st July 2027.

Consideration of applications for entry into Foundation 1

The agreed admissions number is 24 full time equivalent (FTE) places. Depending upon parental preference and availability, Children can access from five part-time sessions per week (15 hours) up to 10 sessions (30 hours). The sessions last 3 hours and typically will be either all morning, all afternoon sessions or full days. Where Foundation 1 is undersubscribed, morning sessions will be given in the first instance

Oversubscription procedure

The Governing Body will allocate places to pupils in the term after their 3rd birthday using the following criteria which are listed in priority order:

1. Looked After Children and previously Looked After Children (as defined by the Children Act).
2. Baptised Catholic children who become 4 during the academic year 2026 - 2027
3. Baptised Catholic children in the term after their 3rd birthday during the academic year 2026 - 2027
4. Children who become 4 during the academic year 2026 – 2027 whose parents wish them to attend and have sympathy with the ethos of the school
4. Children in the term after their 3rd birthday who, on the date of admission, have a sibling including step, half, adopted or fostered enrolled in the school and will continue to be so enrolled in September 2027.
5. Children in the term after their 3rd birthday during the academic year 2026 – 2027 whose parents wish them to attend and have sympathy with the ethos of the school.

If the priorities have to be decided within any category, the Governing body will always give priority to the children who live nearest measured by the shortest available walking distance.

Important.

If your child has a place in Foundation 1 at St Peter's Catholic Primary School, this does not automatically mean that they will get a place in Foundation 2. Nursery classes take children from a wider zone than the school zone and Parish area

Notes

- a) All applicants will be considered at the same time and after the closing date for admissions
- b) All applicants will be required to produce a Birth Certificate
- c) All Catholic applicants will be required to produce baptismal certificates
- d) Siblings are defined as pupils who have brothers or sisters (including half-brothers or half-sisters or step brothers or step sisters living in the same household) at the school in September.
- f) A Looked After Child is a child who is (a) in the care of the Local Authority, or (b) being provided with accommodation by a Local Authority in the exercise of its 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
- g) A waiting list for children who have not been offered a place will be kept and will be ranked according to the Admission Criteria. Parents will be informed of their child's position on the waiting list each term.