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school in Reception  
Year & moving from  
primary to secondary  
school in Year 7.**

**SEFTON PRIMARY & SECONDARY SCHOOLS**

# **ADMISSIONS INFORMATION 2026-2027**

Sefton Council



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We recommend that parents/carers read this guide carefully and consider the individual admissions criteria for each of your preferred schools, and where your child might fit within that admission criteria. Please also read the accompanying guide ‘Applying for a Primary or Secondary School Place - A Guide for Parents 2026-2027’ which provides you with additional information about the school admissions process and includes frequently asked questions.

## How do I apply online?

- Go to [www.sefton.gov.uk/startingschool](http://www.sefton.gov.uk/startingschool) and under the ‘Do it online’ section, follow the link to the **Citizen Portal**. Follow the onscreen instructions. The Portal is quick and easy to use.
- If you have not used Sefton’s Citizen Portal before, **you must first register by confirming your email address and setting up a password**, (in exactly the same way as many other websites). **Please keep a note of your password you will need this again to log into the Citizen Portal on National Offer Day to view the school place offer.**
- If you have used Sefton’s Citizen Portal before, please check your details are correct including your home address by selecting ‘My Account’ on the homepage **before** you start a new application.
- If you do not have internet access, a paper application is available upon request – see contact details on page 4.

## Why you should apply online on Sefton’s Citizen Portal

- It’s convenient – the Citizen Portal is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.
- Your application will be recorded automatically, and you can start an application and finish it later.
- You can make changes at any time up until the **national closing date(s)**. Once you have submitted (or re-submitted) an application, you will receive a confirmation email.
- The system is secure and confidential.
- You will be able to log into the Citizen Portal on national offer day to view the school place offer. You will not have to wait a few days to receive the offer letter.

## The national closing dates for admission applications are:

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STARTING SECONDARY SCHOOL IN YEAR 7, SEPTEMBER 2025: **31 OCTOBER 2025**

STARTING PRIMARY SCHOOL IN RECEPTION YEAR, SEPTEMBER 2025: **15 JANUARY 2026**

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## Accessible Information

Sefton Council is now using ‘Recite Me’ software so that residents with accessibility issues can customise the website to meet their needs. By turning on Recite Me, visitors to the council’s website [www.sefton.gov.uk](http://www.sefton.gov.uk), can use the service to read website pages out loud in different voices and languages, increase and decrease the size of the text and change the style of text including into a dyslexic-friendly font. We have endeavoured to make this guide accessible for screen reading software, however if you have any difficulties please contact us.

## Contact Details - Sefton School Admissions Team

Email: [admissions@sefton.gov.uk](mailto:admissions@sefton.gov.uk) Tel: 0151 934 3590.

Postal address: School Support Services, School Admissions Team, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Magdalen House, 30 Trinity Road, Bootle, L20 3NJ.

## SECTION A – SEFTON PRIMARY SCHOOLS

### Types of primary schools in Sefton

#### Age range

This section of the guide lists all infant and primary schools within Sefton. junior schools are also listed for information, however entry to junior schools at Year 3 is usually automatic from the attached infant school. The type of primary school is shown in the alphabetical list of primary schools and noted in the details provided for each individual school.

#### Community primary schools (COM)

Many primary schools in Sefton are community primary schools. This means that the school is managed by the local authority. Religious education is non-denominational in character and does not follow the distinctive beliefs and practices of any one particular church or religion. Admission of pupils is the responsibility of the local authority in accordance with the admission arrangements shown in this guide.

#### Voluntary aided primary schools (VA)

Other primary schools in Sefton are voluntary aided schools. This means that they are managed by a church authority, although the local authority meets most of the running costs of the school. Religious education is under the general control of the governors and will be in line with the distinctive ethos, religious beliefs, culture and practices of the church with which the school is associated. Admission of pupils is the responsibility of the Governing Body in accordance with the admission arrangements listed in this guide. **If you need to check whether or not you reside within the associated parish for a particular school you should contact the school directly.** The local authority does not hold that information.

#### Voluntary controlled primary schools (VC)

There are a few voluntary controlled schools in Sefton, which are similar in most respects to community primary schools. Religious teaching in such schools is mainly in accordance with the agreed syllabus, but this may, for those who wish, be supplemented by specific church teaching. Worship at school assemblies is linked with the worship of the church. The appropriate Parish is represented on the Governing Body. Admission of pupils is the responsibility of the local authority in accordance with the admission arrangements listed in this guide.

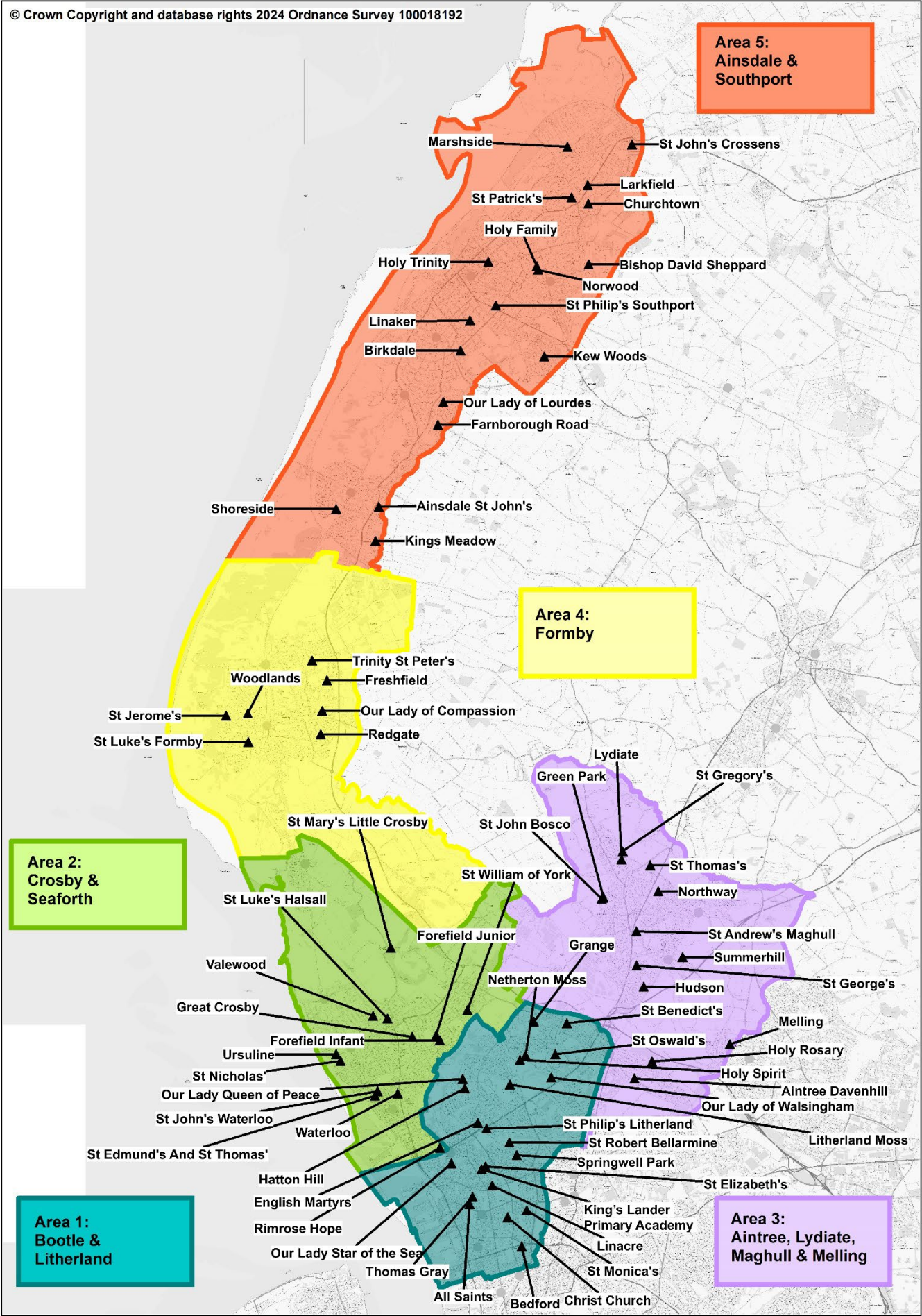
### **Academy schools (AC)**

Some primary schools within Sefton are academies. Academies are independently managed, all ability schools set up by sponsors from business, faith or voluntary groups in partnership with the Department for Education. Together they fund the land and buildings, with the government covering the running costs. An academy is responsible for admissions to the school and therefore determines their own admissions criteria. The local authority is the co-ordinating body for admissions to all academy schools. For some academies, the local authority also manages the admissions process and applies the admissions criteria on behalf of the schools' governing body.

### **Independent schools**

Sefton Local authority does not administer admissions to any independent schools. If you wish for your child to attend an independent school, you must apply directly to the school concerned.

# Map of Primary Schools in the Sefton area



## Alphabetical list of Primary Schools

School Name	2026 Admission Number	Type of School	Area	Page Number
<a href="#">Ainsdale St John's CE Primary</a>	30	AC	Southport	11-12
<a href="#">Aintree Davenhill Primary</a>	60	COM	Aintree/Lydiat/Maghull and Melling	13-15
<a href="#">All Saints Catholic Primary</a>	60	VA	Bootle & Litherland	16-17
<a href="#">Bedford Primary</a>	60	AC	Bootle & Litherland	18-20
<a href="#">Birkdale Primary</a>	60	COM	Southport	21-22
<a href="#">Bishop David Sheppard CE Primary</a>	30	VA	Southport	23-24
<a href="#">Christ Church CE Primary</a>	60	VC	Bootle & Litherland	25-26
<a href="#">Churchtown Primary</a>	90	AC	Southport	27-28
<a href="#">English Martyrs Catholic Primary</a>	60	VA	Bootle & Litherland	29-30
<a href="#">Farnborough Road Infant</a>	120	COM	Southport	31-32
<a href="#">Farnborough Road Junior</a>	120	COM	Southport	33
<a href="#">Forefield Infant</a>	90	AC	Crosby & Seaforth	34-35
<a href="#">Forefield Junior</a>	90	AC	Crosby & Seaforth	36
<a href="#">Freshfield Primary</a>	30	COM	Formby	37-38
<a href="#">The Grange Primary</a>	30	AC	Bootle & Litherland	39-40
<a href="#">Great Crosby Catholic Primary</a>	90	VA	Crosby & Seaforth	41-42
<a href="#">Green Park Primary</a>	30	COM	Aintree/Lydiat/Maghull and Melling	43-44
<a href="#">Hatton Hill Primary</a>	30	COM	Bootle & Litherland	45-46
<a href="#">Holy Family Catholic Primary</a>	30	VA	Southport	47-48
<a href="#">Holy Rosary Catholic Primary</a>	60	VA	Aintree/Lydiat/Maghull and Melling	49-50
<a href="#">Holy Spirit Catholic Academy</a>	30	AC	Bootle & Litherland	51-52
<a href="#">Holy Trinity CE Primary</a>	30	AC	Southport	53-54
<a href="#">Hudson Primary</a>	30	COM	Aintree/Lydiat/Maghull and Melling	55-56
<a href="#">Kew Woods Primary</a>	60	AC	Southport	57-58
<a href="#">Kings Lander Primary Academy</a>	30	AC	Bootle & Litherland	59-60
<a href="#">Kings Meadow Primary</a>	30	COM	Southport	61-62
<a href="#">Larkfield Primary</a>	30	COM	Southport	63-64
<a href="#">Linacre Primary</a>	30	COM	Bootle & Litherland	65-66

School Name	2026 Admission Number	Type of School	Area	Page Number
<a href="#">Linaker Primary</a>	60	AC	Southport	67-68
<a href="#">Litherland Moss Primary</a>	30	AC	Bootle & Litherland	69-70
<a href="#">Lydiat Primary</a>	30	COM	Aintree/Lydiat/Maghull and Melling	71-72
<a href="#">Marshside Primary</a>	30	COM	Southport	73-74
<a href="#">Melling Primary</a>	30	COM	Aintree/Lydiat/Maghull and Melling	75-77
<a href="#">Netherton Moss Primary</a>	30	COM	Bootle & Litherland	78-79
<a href="#">Northway Primary</a>	45	COM	Aintree/Lydiat/Maghull and Melling	80-81
<a href="#">Norwood Primary</a>	90	COM	Southport	82-83
<a href="#">Our Lady of Compassion Catholic Primary</a>	30	VA	Formby	84-85
<a href="#">Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Primary</a>	60	AC	Southport	86-87
<a href="#">Our Lady of Walsingham Catholic Primary</a>	30	AC	Bootle & Litherland	88-89
<a href="#">Our Lady Queen of Peace Catholic Primary</a>	30	VA	Bootle & Litherland	90-91
<a href="#">Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Primary</a>	30	VA	Crosby & Seaforth	92-93
<a href="#">Redgate Primary</a>	30	COM	Formby	94-95
<a href="#">Rimrose Hope CE Primary School</a>	45	VC	Crosby & Seaforth	96-97
<a href="#">Shoreside Primary</a>	30	AC	Southport	98-99
<a href="#">Springwell Park Community Primary</a>	60	COM	Bootle & Litherland	100-101
<a href="#">St Andrew's Maghull CE Primary</a>	30	AC	Aintree/Lydiat/Maghull and Melling	102-103
<a href="#">St Benedict's Catholic Primary</a>	30	VA	Bootle & Litherland	104-105
<a href="#">St Edmund's and St Thomas' Catholic Primary</a>	45	AC	Crosby & Seaforth	106-107
<a href="#">St Elizabeth's Catholic Primary</a>	60	VA	Bootle & Litherland	108-109
<a href="#">St George's Catholic Primary</a>	30	VA	Aintree/Lydiat/Maghull and Melling	110-111
<a href="#">St Gregory's Catholic Primary</a>	30	VA	Aintree/Lydiat/Maghull and Melling	112-113
<a href="#">St Jerome's Catholic Primary</a>	30	VA	Formby	114-115
<a href="#">St John Bosco Catholic Primary</a>	30	VA	Aintree/Lydiat/Maghull and Melling	116-117
<a href="#">St John's CE Primary, Southport</a>	30	VC	Southport	118-119
<a href="#">St John's CE Primary, Waterloo</a>	30	VA	Crosby & Seaforth	120-121

<b>School Name</b>	<b>2026 Admission Number</b>	<b>Type of School</b>	<b>Area</b>	<b>Page Number</b>
<a href="#"><u>St Luke's CE Primary</u></a>	60	VC	Formby	122-123
<a href="#"><u>St Luke's Halsall CE Primary</u></a>	30	VA	Crosby & Seaforth	124-125
<a href="#"><u>St Mary's Catholic Primary</u></a>	15	AC	Crosby & Seaforth	126-127
<a href="#"><u>St Monica's Catholic Primary</u></a>	60	VA	Bootle & Litherland	128-129
<a href="#"><u>St Nicholas' CE Primary</u></a>	30	VA	Crosby & Seaforth	130-131
<a href="#"><u>St Oswald's CE Primary</u></a>	30	VA	Bootle & Litherland	132-133
<a href="#"><u>St Patrick's Catholic Primary</u></a>	50	VA	Southport	134-135
<a href="#"><u>St Philip's CE Primary, Litherland</u></a>	30	VC	Bootle & Litherland	136-137
<a href="#"><u>St Philip's CE Primary, Southport</u></a>	30	VA	Southport	138-139
<a href="#"><u>St Robert Bellarmine Catholic Primary</u></a>	30	VA	Bootle & Litherland	140-141
<a href="#"><u>St Thomas CE Primary</u></a>	30	AC	Aintree/Lydiat/Maghull and Melling	142-144
<a href="#"><u>St William of York Catholic Primary</u></a>	30	VA	Crosby & Seaforth	145-146
<a href="#"><u>Summerhill Primary</u></a>	30	COM	Aintree/Lydiat/Maghull and Melling	147-148
<a href="#"><u>Thomas Gray Primary</u></a>	30	AC	Bootle & Litherland	149-150
<a href="#"><u>Trinity St Peter's CE Primary</u></a>	30	AC	Formby	151-152
<a href="#"><u>Ursuline Catholic Primary</u></a>	60	VA	Crosby & Seaforth	153-154
<a href="#"><u>Valewood Primary</u></a>	30	AC	Crosby & Seaforth	155-156
<a href="#"><u>Waterloo Primary</u></a>	60	AC	Crosby & Seaforth	157-158
<a href="#"><u>Woodlands Primary</u></a>	45	COM	Formby	159-160

## Information included for each primary school

We have listed every school in Sefton and included information to help you with your choice of schools. This page helps explain what the information we have provided means.

### Key information about the school

Headteacher's name; address of school; telephone number; website address; school details; age range; responsible admissions authority and the 2026 admission number for the school.

### Previous pattern of admissions

- Table 1 - The number of places available and the number of on time applications received (by the closing date) by the local authority, naming the school as a preference for the previous year(s) admission allocation.
- Table 2 – The number of children allocated a place under each admission criterion in the past three years. **These figures should only be used as a guide as the number of places allocated under each criterion can change from year to year.**
- Table 3 - The number of appeals heard, and the number that were successful. The final number of places allocated at the end of term in July after changes of preference, declined offers and appeal hearings.

### Furthest distance for community, voluntary controlled and academy schools

The furthest distance is noted where the school was oversubscribed (received more applications than places available) and is the furthest distance where a child who was allocated a place lived, using (usually) the home to school distance (proximity) criterion. For some schools, all places may have been allocated using a higher admission criterion than distance. This information is available for community schools and academy schools where the local authority applies the admissions criteria on behalf of the governing body. This information is not available for Voluntary Aided (or academy) faith schools who are their own admissions authority and apply the admission criteria themselves.

### Individual admissions criteria for the school

If there are more applications than places available, this is the criteria used to assess each application for that school. You should be able to identify which category your applications would be considered under and see how many children have previously been admitted under the same criterion. **Please note for faith schools** the admissions criteria published in this guide may be a summary. Further information and an explanation around all elements of the faith criterion can be found in the full admissions policy published on the school's individual website.

### Where primary schools admit children below compulsory school age, parents should be aware of the following:

- Parents of children who are admitted for nursery education will still need to apply for a place at the primary school if they want their child to transfer to the reception class.
- **Attendance at a primary school's nursery or a co-located children's centre does not guarantee admission to the school.**
- Parents can request that the date their child is admitted to the school is deferred until later in the school year or until the child reaches compulsory school age in that school year. Further details can be found in the booklet 'Applying for a Primary or Secondary School Place - A Guide for Parents 2026-27' which is available on the Sefton Website: [www.sefton.gov.uk/startingschool](http://www.sefton.gov.uk/startingschool).

## SECTION A

### Ainsdale St John's CE Primary School

Sandbrook Road, Southport, PR8 3JE

**Headteacher:** Mrs L O'Brien

Church of England academy school

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 197

**Admission Number 2026: 30**

Establishment number: 343 3307

**Telephone:** 01704 578427

**Website:** [www.ainsdalestjohns.com](http://www.ainsdalestjohns.com)

Age range: 4-11

Nursery at School: No

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

A supplementary faith information form (available from the school) must be completed for admission requests for this school.

### Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, to allocate places.

- 1) Looked after children and all previously looked after children, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order). \*
- 2) Children who have a brother or a sister\* currently attending the school and who will still be there at the start of the academic year in which the child takes up his/her place.
- 3) Those children whose parents worship regularly in St John's Church, Ainsdale.
- 4) Those children whose parents worship regularly at another Christian church.
- 5) Other children.

**\*See glossary for full definition.** NB Evidence of the parents address may be required.

#### DEFINITIONS:

**Parents** – A parent is defined as the person with parental responsibility.

**Other Christian churches** –Christian Church means any church which is designated under the Ecumenical Relations Measure nationally by the Archbishops of Canterbury and York or locally by the diocesan bishop, or is a member of Churches Together in England, or the Evangelical Alliance, or a partner church of Affinity.

**Worship** – Regular attendance is defined as one parent attending church services, Messy Church or The Event worship at least twice a month for six months in the year prior to the deadline specified on the Supplementary Information Form. Attendance must be in person; online worship and private prayers in the church building do not meet the requirement. A completed Supplementary Information Form will be required.

In the event that during the period specified for attendance at worship the church has been closed for public worship and has not provided alternative premises for that worship, the requirements of these admissions arrangements in relation to attendance will only apply to the period when the church or alternative premises have been available for public worship.

#### Tie Breaker Clause

If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria above then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. The Local authority will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the Authority at the time of measurement).

# Ainsdale St John's CE Primary School

## Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

<b>Year</b>	<b>Number of places available</b>	<b>Total number of applications received by closing date</b>
2025	30	79
2024	30	67
2023	30	82

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

<b>Year</b>	<b>Total places allocated</b>	<b>EHCP</b>	<b>Looked After children</b>	<b>Sibling</b>	<b>Regular worship in St Johns Church Ainsdale</b>	<b>Regular worship at another Christian Church</b>	<b>Other Children (Distance)</b>
2025	24	0	0	15	2	0	7
2024	25	1	0	8	3	1	12
2023	30	0	3	15	2	2	8

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

<b>Year</b>	<b>Appeals Number allowed / number heard</b>	<b>Final number of places allocated</b>
2025	N/A	24
2024	N/A	24
2023	N/A	30

## Aintree Davenhill Primary School

Aintree Lane, Aintree, L10 8LE

**Headteacher:** Miss E Clay

Community school

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 413

**Admission Number 2026: 60**

Establishment number: 343 2050

**Telephone:** 0151 526 1162

**Website:** [www.aintreedavenhill.net](http://www.aintreedavenhill.net)

Age range: 4-11

Nursery at School: Yes

Admission Authority: **Local Authority**

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, by Sefton LA, to allocate places.

- 1) **Looked after children** and all **previously looked after children**, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to **have been in state care outside of England** and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order). \*
- 2) **Sibling** - Children who have a **brother or sister** living in the same house who already attends the primary school of their choice, provided they will still attend the school in September 2025. Sibling is defined in these arrangements as step-children, foster children and half-brothers and sisters, adopted brothers and sisters or children of the parent(s)/carer(s)'s partner, living in the same family unit at the same address. <sup>(1)</sup>
- 3) **Children of staff** where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the admission application for the school is made, and/or where the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. <sup>(1)</sup> Parent(s)/carer(s) **must** state the employee's name on their admission application form. Details will be validated by the school.
- 4) **Catchment Area** - Children who live in the area for which the school is designated to serve (as shown on the map on the next page). The school should normally be able to offer places to all pupils living in the area. If, however, it cannot do so, priority is given to those pupils living closest to the school, measured as per the tie breaker clause shown below. <sup>(1)</sup> **This area is shown on the map on the next page.**
- 5) **Distance** - Children in order, of proximity of their home to school, measured as per the tie breaker clause shown below. <sup>(1)</sup>

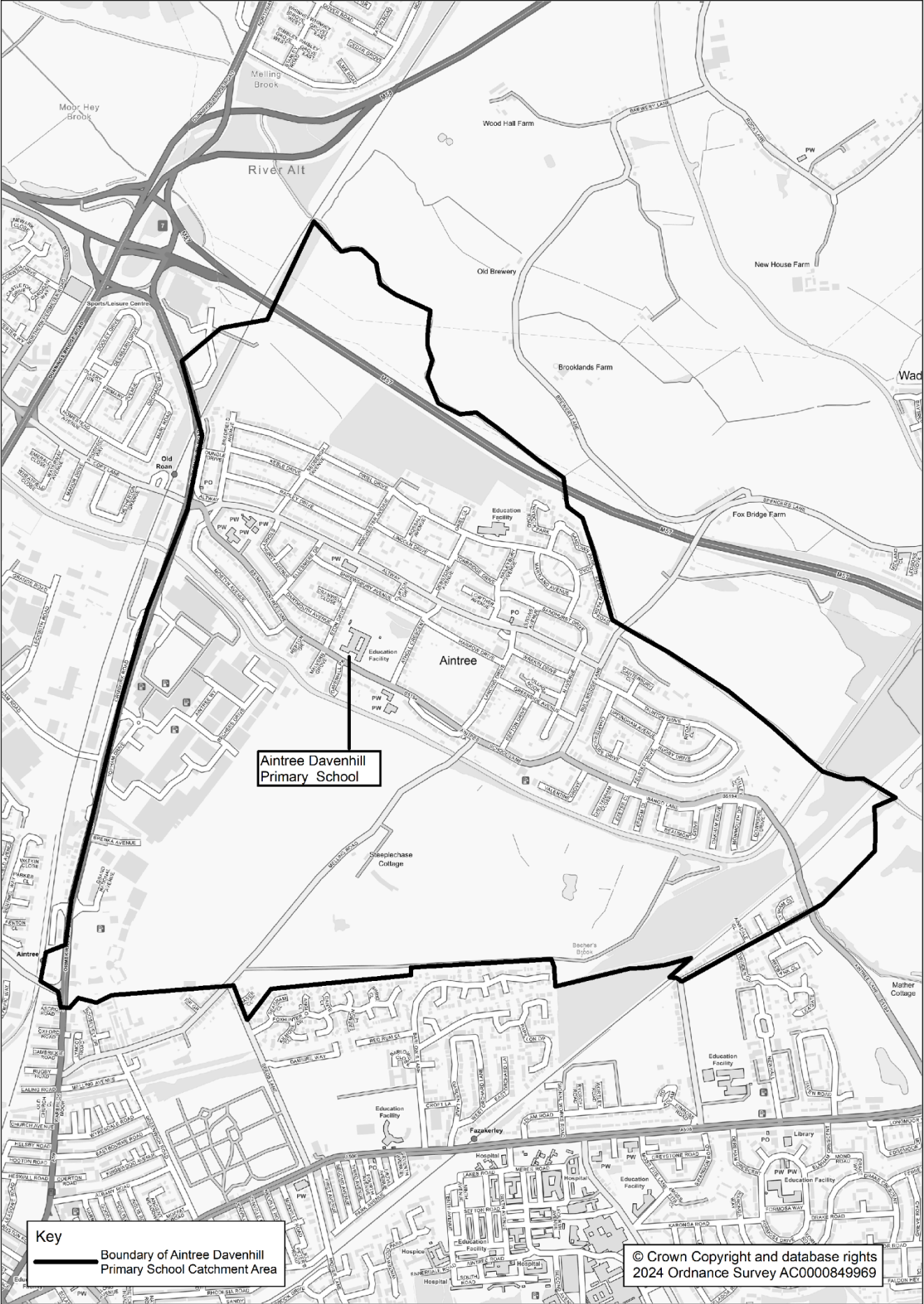
**\*See glossary for full definition**

### Tie Breaker Clause

<sup>(1)</sup> If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria, then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the local authority at the time of measurement).

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Aintree Davenhill Primary School Catchment Area



## Aintree Davenhill Primary School

### Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	60	129
2024	60	134
2023	60	126

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Sibling	Children of Staff	Catchment Area	Distance	If oversubscribed furthest distance (miles)
2025	60	0	0	21	1	21	17	1.606
2024	60	0	1	19	0	17	23	1.694
2023	60	2	1	22	0	22	13	1.544

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	0/3	60
2024	0/5	60
2023	0/1	60

## All Saints Catholic Primary School

Chesnut Grove, Bootle, Liverpool, L20 4LX

**Headteacher:** Mrs A Holleran

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 330

Voluntary Aided Catholic school

**Admission Number 2026: 60**

Establishment number: 343 3384

**Telephone:** 0151 257 5566

**Website:** [www.allsaintsprimaryschool.co.uk](http://www.allsaintsprimaryschool.co.uk)

Nursery at School: Yes

Age range: 4-11

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

A supplementary faith information form (available from the school) must be completed for admission requests for this school.

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, to allocate places.

- 1) Looked after children and all previously looked after children. This includes children who appear to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted. \*
- 2) Baptised Catholic children who have a sibling\* in the school at the time of admission.
- 3) Baptised Catholic children resident in the parishes of St James' and St Monica & St Richard (the part of the parish formerly known as St Richard).
- 4) Other baptised Catholic children.
- 5) Other children who have a sibling\* in the school at the time of admission.
- 6) Children from other Christian denominations. Proof of Baptism in the form of a Baptismal Certificate or confirmation in writing that the applicant is a member of their faith community from an appropriate Minister of Religion is required.
- 7) Children of other faiths. An appropriate Faith Leader would need to confirm in writing that the applicant is a member of their faith group.
- 8) Other children.

\* See glossary for full definition

### Tie Breaker Clause

If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria above then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the Authority at the time of measurement). In the event of distances being the same for 2 or more applicants where this distance would be last place/s to be allocated, a random lottery will be carried out in a public place. All the names will be entered into a hat and the required number of names will be drawn out.

# All Saints Catholic Primary School

## Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	60	46
2024	60	40
2023	60	58

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

**Note:** For 2024 admissions 24 children were allocated places on national offer day. As ALL applicants could be offered a place at the school, the school was not required to consider each application under the individual admission criteria.

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Baptised Catholic Sibling	Baptised Catholic living in Parish	Other Baptised Catholic	Other Sibling	Other Christian	Other Faiths	Other Children (Distance)
2025	32	0	1	4	2	0	9	6	0	10
2023	43	0	0	6	0	1	20	0	0	16

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	N/A	36
2024	N/A	29
2023	N/A	48

## Bedford Primary School

Quarry Road, Bootle, Liverpool, L20 9LJ

**Headteacher:** Mrs R Braithwaite

Academy school

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 407

**Admission Number 2026: 60**

Establishment ref no: 343 2093

**Telephone:** 0151 922 1467

**Website:** [www.bedfordprimary.co.uk](http://www.bedfordprimary.co.uk)

Age range: 4-11

Nursery at School: No

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan where the school is named in the plan, and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, by Sefton LA, to allocate places at the school, on behalf of the school's Governing Body (or Multi Academy Trust):

- 1) **Looked after children** and all **previously looked after children**, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to **have been in state care outside of England** and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order). \*
- 2) **Sibling** - Children who have a **brother or sister** living in the same house who already attends the primary school of their choice, provided they will still attend the school in September 2026. Sibling is defined in these arrangements as step-children, foster children and half-brothers and sisters, adopted brothers and sisters or children of the parent(s)/carer(s)'s partner, living in the same family unit at the same address. <sup>(1)</sup>
- 3) **Children of staff** where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the admission application for the school is made, and/or where the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. <sup>(1)</sup> Parent(s)/carer(s) **must** state the employee's name on their admission application form. Details will be validated by the school.
- 4) **Catchment Area** - Children who live in the area for which the school is designated to serve (as shown on the map on the next page). The school should normally be able to offer places to all pupils living in the area. If, however, it cannot do so, priority is given to those pupils living closest to the school, measured as per the tie breaker clause shown below. <sup>(1)</sup> **This area is shown on the map on the next page.**
- 5) **Distance** - Children in order, of proximity of their home to school, measured as per the tie breaker clause shown below. <sup>(1)</sup>

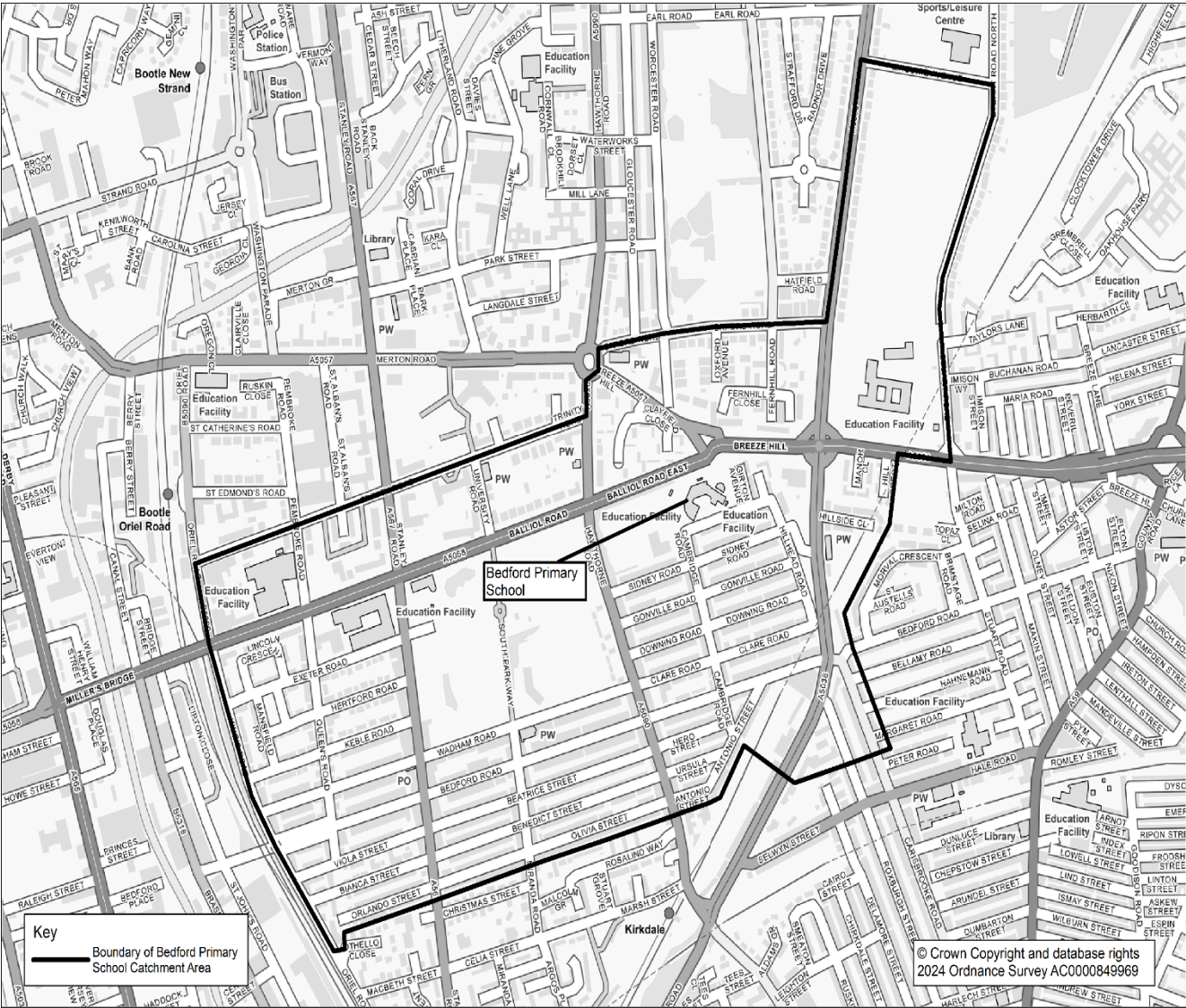
**\*See glossary for full definition**

### Tie Breaker Clause

<sup>(1)</sup> If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria, then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the local authority at the time of measurement).

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# Bedford Primary School Catchment Area



## Bedford Primary School

### Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	60	75
2024	60	78
2023	60	85

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Sibling	Children of Staff	Catchment Area	Distance	If oversubscribed furthest distance (miles)
2025	59	2	1	20	0	23	13	N/A
2024	56	3	0	20	0	17	16	N/A
2023	60	0	1	25	0	25	9	1.519

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	N/A	57
2024	N/A	59
2023	N/A	60

## Birkdale Primary School

Matlock Road, Southport, PR8 4EL

**Headteacher:** Mr N Sheeran

Community school

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 408

Establishment number: 343 2030

**Telephone:** 01704 567516

**Website:** [www.birkdaleprimary.com](http://www.birkdaleprimary.com)

Age range: 4-11

Nursery at School: Yes

**Admission Number 2026: 60**

Admission Authority: **Local Authority**

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, by Sefton LA, to allocate places.

- 1) **Looked after children** and all **previously looked after children**, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to **have been in state care outside of England** and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order). \*
- 2) **Sibling** - Children who have a **brother or sister** living in the same house who already attends the primary school of their choice, provided they will still attend the school in September 2026. Sibling is defined in these arrangements as step-children, foster children and half-brothers and sisters, adopted brothers and sisters or children of the parent(s)/carer(s)'s partner, living in the same family unit at the same address. <sup>(1)</sup>
- 3) **Children of staff** where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the admission application for the school is made, and/or where the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. <sup>(1)</sup> Parent(s)/carer(s) **must** state the employee's name on their admission application form. Details will be validated by the school.
- 4) **Distance** - Children in order, of proximity of their home to school, measured as per the tie breaker clause shown below. <sup>(1)</sup>

**\*See glossary for full definition**

### Tie Breaker Clause

<sup>(1)</sup> If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the local authority at the time of measurement).

# Birkdale Primary School

## Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	60	122
2024	60	128
2023	60	159

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Sibling	Children of Staff	Distance	If oversubscribed furthest distance (miles)
2025	53	1	0	26	0	26	N/A
2024	50	0	0	21	0	29	N/A
2023	58	0	0	24	0	34	N/A

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	N/A	56
2024	N/A	52
2023	N/A	60

## **Bishop David Sheppard CE Primary School** Establishment number: 343 3376

Devonshire Road, Southport, PR9 7BZ

**Telephone:** 01704 227987

**Headteacher:** Mrs S Bayliff

**Website:** [www.bishopdavidsheppard.com](http://www.bishopdavidsheppard.com)

Voluntary Aided Church of England school

Age range: 4-11

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 169

Nursery at School: Yes

**Admission Number 2026: 30**

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

### **Admissions Criteria 2026**

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, to allocate places.

- 1) Children in public care and previously looked after children. This includes any "looked after child", "previously looked after children" and any child who was previously looked after but immediately after being looked after became subject to an adoption, residence or special guardianship order. 'Looked after' means that the child was (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. This criteria also includes looked after children and all previously looked after children who appear (to the admission authority) to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted.
- 2) Children who have a sibling currently attending the school and who will still be there at the start of the new academic year.
- 3) Children whose parents/guardians are members of the Church of England and attend St Simon and St Jude's Church at least once a month. A reference/letter of support from a member of the clergy will be required. \*
- 4) Children whose parents/guardians are members of a 'Christian Church' (any Church in membership with, or sharing the statement of belief of Churches Together in Britain and Ireland or in full sympathy with its Trinitarian stance) and who attend Church at least once a month. A reference/letter of support from the clergy will be required. \*
- 5) Proximity of home to school. (This is determined by measuring the shortest route walking distance from the child's home to the nearest school gate using the methodology of measurement adopted by the local authority).

\*In the event that during the period specified for attendance at worship the church has been closed for public worship and has not provided alternative premises for that worship, the requirements of these admissions arrangements in relation to attendance will only apply to the period when the church or alternative premises have been available for public worship. It is necessary for a parent to have attended at least once a month for at least 12 months in the 12 months previous to the application being made in order, for the criteria to be met."

#### **Note**

- Sibling includes step, half, foster and adopted siblings living at the same address.
- Parent is defined as the person with parental responsibility.

**Tie Breaker Clause** - If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the local authority at the time of measurement).

## Bishop David Sheppard CE Primary School

Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	30	23
2024	30	26
2023	30	20

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Sibling	CE Faith & attend St Simon & St Jude's Church	Members of a Christian Church	Proximity (Distance)
2025	16	0	1	3	1	1	10
2024	21	0	0	12	0	0	9
2023	13	0	2	6	0	0	5

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	N/A	17
2024	N/A	21
2023	N/A	14

## Christ Church CE Primary School

Cornwall Road, Bootle, Liverpool, L20 3JL

**Headteacher:** Miss L Gregory

Voluntary Controlled Church of England school

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 381

**Admission Number 2026: 60**

Establishment number: 343 3000

**Telephone:** 0151 922 2136

**Website:** [www.christchurchce.co.uk](http://www.christchurchce.co.uk)

Age range: 4-11

Nursery at School: Yes

Admission Authority: **Local Authority**

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, by Sefton LA, to allocate places.

- 1) **Looked after children** and all **previously looked after children**, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to **have been in state care outside of England** and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order). \*
- 2) **Sibling** - Children who have a **brother or sister** living in the same house who already attends the primary school of their choice, provided they will still attend the school in September 2026. Sibling is defined in these arrangements as step-children, foster children and half-brothers and sisters, adopted brothers and sisters or children of the parent(s)/carer(s)'s partner, living in the same family unit at the same address. <sup>(1)</sup>
- 3) **Children of staff** where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the admission application for the school is made, and/or where the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. <sup>(1)</sup> Parent(s)/carer(s) **must** state the employee's name on their admission application form. Details will be validated by the school.
- 4) **Distance** - Children in order, of proximity of their home to school, measured as per the tie breaker clause shown below. <sup>(1)</sup>

**\*See glossary for full definition**

### Tie Breaker Clause

<sup>(1)</sup> If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the local authority at the time of measurement).

# Christ Church CE Primary School

## Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	60	84
2024	60	84
2023	60	82

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Sibling	Children of Staff	Distance	If oversubscribed furthest distance (miles)
2025	58	3	0	22	1	32	N/A
2024	52	0	0	23	0	29	N/A
2023	54	0	4	21	0	29	N/A

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	N/A	57
2024	N/A	54
2023	N/A	55

## Churchtown Primary School

St Cuthbert's Road, Churchtown, PR9 7NN

**Headteacher:** Mrs J Payne

Academy school

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 598

**Admission Number 2026: 90**

Establishment number 343 2032

**Telephone:** 01704 508500

**Website:** [www.churchtown.org.uk](http://www.churchtown.org.uk)

Age range: 4-11

Nursery at School: Yes

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

## Admissions Criteria 2026

When the academy is oversubscribed, after the admission of pupils with Education, Health and Care Plans naming the academy, priority for admission will be applied by the local authority on behalf of the Trust, following the criteria set out below:

- 1) **Looked after children, previously looked after children**, and children who appear (to the Trust) to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted or became subject to a child arrangements order or special guardianship order. \*
- 2) **Children with proven and exceptional medical, and/or social needs** which are directly relevant to the school. The application must be supported by appropriate professional advice in writing (letter from doctor or social worker) as to why the child has an exceptional medical and / or social need which requires admission to Churchtown Primary School as it is assessed to be the school which can meet those needs. **Any request under this criterion will be assessed and validated directly by the school.** <sup>(1)</sup>
- 3) **Siblings** of children who will be attending the school on the date when the child would be admitted. The term siblings include brother or sister, half brother or sister, step brother or sister, adopted brother or sister, foster brother or sister and other children living permanently at the same address. Only one address can be used for school admission purposes. This is defined by the Trust as the home in which the child lives for most of the school week (i.e. for four nights or more per week). <sup>(1)</sup>
- 4) **Distance** - Any other children. <sup>(1)</sup>

**\*See glossary for full definition**

### Tie Breaker Clause

<sup>(1)</sup> Where there are more applications received than places available under any of the above criteria then the distance between the school and the home (the address which the child lives at for most of the week) will be used as the final determining factor. Priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. The distance will be measured from the property's address point to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the local authority at the time of measurement).

# Churchtown Primary School

## Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	90	160
2024	120	167
2023	120	155

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Sibling	Children of Staff	Distance	If oversubscribed furthest distance (miles)
2025	68	0	0	33	0	35	N/A
2024	79	0	2	38	0	39	N/A
2023	64	1	2	23	0	38	N/A

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	N/A	67
2024	N/A	83
2023	N/A	65

## English Martyrs Catholic Primary School

School Lane, Litherland, Liverpool, L21 7LX

**Headteacher:** Mr L Dinsdale

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 419

Voluntary Aided Catholic school

**Admission Number 2026: 60**

Establishment number: 343 3361

**Telephone:** 0151 928 5601

**Website:** [www.englishmartyrs.co.uk](http://www.englishmartyrs.co.uk)

Nursery at School: Yes

Age range: 4-11

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

A supplementary faith information form (available from the school) must be completed for admission requests for this school.

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, to allocate places.

- 1) Looked after children and all previously looked after children. This includes children who appear to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted. \*
- 2) Baptised Catholic children who have a sibling\* in the school at the time of admission.
- 3) Baptised Catholic children resident in the parish of St Josephine Bakhita (the part of the parish formerly referred to as English Martyrs).
- 4) Other baptised Catholic children.
- 5) Other children who have a sibling\* in the school at the time of admission.
- 6) Children from other Christian denominations. Proof of Baptism in the form of a Baptismal Certificate or confirmation in writing that the applicant is a member of their faith community from an appropriate Minister of Religion is required.
- 7) Children of other faiths. An appropriate Faith Leader would need to confirm in writing that the applicant is a member of their faith group.
- 8) Other children.

**\*See glossary for full definition**

### Tie Breaker Clause

If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria above then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the Authority at the time of measurement). In the event of distances being the same for 2 or more applicants where this distance would be last place/s to be allocated, a random lottery will be carried out in a public place. All the names will be entered into a hat and the required number of names will be drawn out.

# English Martyrs Catholic Primary School

## Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	60	140
2024	60	124
2023	60	133

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Baptised Catholic Sibling	Baptised Catholic living in Parish	Other Baptised Catholic	Other Sibling	Other Christian	Other Faiths	Other Children (Distance)
2025	60	0	0	20	21	19	0	0	0	0
2024	60	0	0	19	24	13	2	0	0	2
2023	60	0	1	30	21	8	0	0	0	0

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	0/6	60
2024	N/A	60
2023	0/4	60

## Farnborough Road Infant School

Farnborough Road, Southport, PR8 3DF

**Headteacher:** Miss J Sephton

Community Infant school

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 322

**Admission Number 2026: 120**

Establishment number: 343 2035

**Telephone:** 01704 577637

**Website:** [www.farnboroughroadinfants.co.uk](http://www.farnboroughroadinfants.co.uk)

Age range: 4-7\*

Nursery at School: Yes

Admission Authority: **Local Authority**

\* Pupils attending Farnborough Road Infant school are automatically transferred into Farnborough Road Junior School in Year 3.

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, by Sefton LA, to allocate places.

- 1) **Looked after children** and all **previously looked after children**, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to **have been in state care outside of England** and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order). \*
- 2) **Sibling** - Children who have a **brother or sister** living in the same house who already attends the primary school of their choice (including Farnborough Road Junior School), provided they will still attend the school in September 2026. Sibling is defined in these arrangements as step-children, foster children and half-brothers and sisters, adopted brothers and sisters or children of the parent(s)/carer(s)'s partner, living in the same family unit at the same address. <sup>(1)</sup>
- 3) **Children of staff** where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the admission application for the school is made, and/or where the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. <sup>(1)</sup> Parent(s)/carer(s) **must** state the employee's name on their admission application form. Details will be validated by the school.
- 4) **Distance** - Children in order, of proximity of their home to school, measured as per the tie breaker clause shown below. <sup>(1)</sup>

**\*See glossary for full definition**

### Tie Breaker Clause

<sup>(1)</sup> If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the local authority at the time of measurement).

## Farnborough Road Infant School

### Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	120	202
2024	120	184
2023	120	199

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Sibling	Children of Staff	Distance	If oversubscribed furthest distance (miles)
2025	120	0	0	50	2	68	5.010
2024	105	0	0	46	2	57	N/A
2023	120	0	0	42	0	78	Last place allocated to a child resident outside of UK

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	N/A	120
2024	N/A	105
2023	N/A	115

## **Farnborough Road Junior School (School details only)**

Farnborough Road, Southport, PR8 3DF

**Telephone:** 01704 577625

**Headteacher:** Mr A Antell

**Website:** [www.farnboroughroadjuniors.co.uk](http://www.farnboroughroadjuniors.co.uk)

Community Junior school

Age range: 7-11

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 475

Establishment number: 343 2034

**Admission Number 2026: 120**

Admission Authority: **Local Authority**

### **Please note:**

There are no separate admission arrangements for pupils to be admitted to Farnborough Road Junior School. Pupils attending Farnborough Road Infant School are automatically transferred into Farnborough Road Junior School in Year 3.

## Forefield Community Infant School

Establishment number: 343 2057

Forefield Lane, Crosby, Liverpool, L23 9SL

**Telephone:** 0151 924 6235

**Headteacher:** Mrs B Roberts

**Website:** [www.forefieldinfantschool.co.uk](http://www.forefieldinfantschool.co.uk)

Infant academy school

Age range: 4-7\*

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 271

Nursery at School: Yes

**Admission Number 2026: 90**

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

\* Pupils attending Forefield Infant School are automatically transferred into Forefield Junior School in Year 3.

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan where the school is named in the plan, and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, by Sefton LA, to allocate places at the school, on behalf of the school's Governing Body (or Multi Academy Trust):

- 1) **Looked after children** and all **previously looked after children**, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to **have been in state care outside of England** and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order). \*
- 2) **Sibling** - Children who have a **brother or sister** living in the same house who already attends the primary school of their choice (including Forefield Junior School), provided they will still attend the school in September 2026. Sibling is defined in these arrangements as step-children, foster children and half-brothers and sisters, adopted brothers and sisters or children of the parent(s)/carer(s)'s partner, living in the same family unit at the same address. <sup>(1)</sup>
- 3) **Children of staff** where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the admission application for the school is made, and/or where the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. <sup>(1)</sup> Parent(s)/carer(s) **must** state the employee's name on their admission application form. Details will be validated by the school.
- 4) **Distance** - Children in order, of proximity of their home to school, measured as per the tie breaker clause shown below. <sup>(1)</sup>

**\*See glossary for full definition**

### Tie Breaker Clause

<sup>(1)</sup> If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the local authority at the time of measurement).

## Forefield Community Infant School

Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

<b>Year</b>	<b>Number of places available</b>	<b>Total number of applications received by closing date</b>
2025	90	201
2024	90	201
2023	90	209

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

<b>Year</b>	<b>Total places allocated</b>	<b>EHCP</b>	<b>Looked After children</b>	<b>Sibling</b>	<b>Children of Staff</b>	<b>Distance</b>	<b>If oversubscribed furthest distance (miles)</b>
2025	90	0	2	31	0	57	1.114
2024	90	2	0	40	0	48	1.324
2023	90	1	3	40	1	45	0.739

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

<b>Year</b>	<b>Appeals Number allowed / number heard</b>	<b>Final number of places allocated</b>
2025	N/A	90
2024	N/A	90
2023	0/4	90

## Forefield Junior School (School details only)

Forefield Lane, Crosby, Liverpool, L23 9TJ

**Telephone:** 0151 924 3971

**Headteacher:** Mr P Swift

**Website:** [www.forefieldjuniors.co.uk](http://www.forefieldjuniors.co.uk)

Junior academy school

Age range: 7-11

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 362

Establishment number: 343 2056

**Admission Number 2026: 90**

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

### **Please note:**

There are no separate admission arrangements for pupils to be admitted to Forefield Junior School. Pupils attending Forefield Infant School are automatically transferred into Forefield Junior School in Year 3.

## Freshfield Primary School

Watchyard Lane, Formby, L37 3JT

**Headteacher:** Mrs H Ward

Community school

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 239

**Admission Number 2026: 30**

Establishment number: 343 2078

**Telephone:** 01704 876567

**Website:** [www.freshfieldprimaryschool.com](http://www.freshfieldprimaryschool.com)

Age range: 4-11

Nursery at School: Yes

Admission Authority: **Local Authority**

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, by Sefton LA, to allocate places.

- 1) **Looked after children** and all **previously looked after children**, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to **have been in state care outside of England** and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order). \*
- 2) **Sibling** - Children who have a **brother or sister** living in the same house who already attends the primary school of their choice, provided they will still attend the school in September 2026. Sibling is defined in these arrangements as step-children, foster children and half-brothers and sisters, adopted brothers and sisters or children of the parent(s)/carer(s)'s partner, living in the same family unit at the same address. <sup>(1)</sup>
- 3) **Children of staff** where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the admission application for the school is made, and/or where the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. <sup>(1)</sup> Parent(s)/carer(s) **must** state the employee's name on their admission application form. Details will be validated by the school.
- 4) **Distance** - Children in order, of proximity of their home to school, measured as per the tie breaker clause shown below. <sup>(1)</sup>

**\*See glossary for full definition**

### Tie Breaker Clause

<sup>(1)</sup> If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the local authority at the time of measurement).

## Freshfield Primary School

### Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	30	118
2024	30	138
2023	30	138

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Sibling	Children of Staff	Distance	If oversubscribed furthest distance (miles)
2025	31	2	1	16	0	12	0.486
2024	30	3	1	17	0	9	0.393
2023	30	0	0	14	0	16	0.472

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	0/4	30
2024	1/6	31
2023	0/2	30

## The Grange Primary School

Stonyfield, Bootle, Liverpool, L30 0QS

**Executive Headteacher:** Ms R. Clements

Academy school

Age range: 4-11

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 262

Establishment number: 343 2023

**Telephone:** 0151 924 7917

**Head of School:** Mr G. Evans

**Website:** [www.thegrangepriamaryandnursery.com](http://www.thegrangepriamaryandnursery.com)

Nursery at School: Yes

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

## Admission Number 2026: 30

### Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan where the school is named in the plan, and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, by Sefton LA, to allocate places at the school, on behalf of the school's Governing Body (or Multi Academy Trust):

- 1) **Looked after children** and all **previously looked after children**, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to **have been in state care outside of England** and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order). \*
- 2) **Sibling** - Children who have a **brother or sister** living in the same house who already attends the primary school of their choice, provided they will still attend the school in September 2026. Sibling is defined in these arrangements as step-children, foster children and half-brothers and sisters, adopted brothers and sisters or children of the parent(s)/carer(s)'s partner, living in the same family unit at the same address. <sup>(1)</sup>
- 3) **Children of staff** where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the admission application for the school is made, and/or where the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. <sup>(1)</sup> Parent(s)/carer(s) **must** state the employee's name on their admission application form. Details will be validated by the school.
- 4) **Distance** - Children in order, of proximity of their home to school, measured as per the tie breaker clause shown below. <sup>(1)</sup>

**\*See glossary for full definition**

### Tie Breaker Clause

<sup>(1)</sup> If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the local authority at the time of measurement).

# The Grange Primary School

## Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	30	62
2024	30	65
2023	30	62

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Sibling	Children of Staff Child	Distance	If oversubscribed furthest distance (miles)
2025	30	1	1	15	0	13	0.699
2024	30	0	0	7	0	23	2.758
2023	30	1	1	10	0	18	2.340

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	0/1	30
2024	N/A	30
2023	N/A	30

## Great Crosby Catholic Primary School

The Northern Road, Crosby, Liverpool, L23 2RQ

**Headteacher:** Mrs L Morton

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 700

Voluntary Aided Catholic School

**Admission Number 2026: 90**

Establishment number: 343 3353

**Telephone:** 0151 924 8661

**Website:** [www.greatcrosbycatholicprimary.com](http://www.greatcrosbycatholicprimary.com)

Nursery at School: Yes

Age range: 4-11

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

A supplementary faith information form (available from the school) must be completed for admission requests for this school.

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, to allocate places.

- 1) Looked after children and all previously looked after children. This includes children who appear to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted. \*
- 2) Baptised Catholic children who have a sibling\* at the school at the time of admission.
- 3) Baptised Catholic children living in the designated parishes of Ss Peter & Paul and St Helens.
- 4) Other Baptised Catholic children.
- 5) Other children who have a sibling\* in the school at the time of admission.
- 6) Children from other Christian denominations. Proof of Baptism in the form of a Baptismal Certificate or confirmation in writing that the applicant is a member of their Faith community from an appropriate Minister of Religion is required.
- 7) Children of other faiths. An appropriate Faith Leader would need to confirm in writing that the applicant is a member of their faith group.
- 8) Other children.

**\*See glossary for full definition**

### Tie Breaker Clause

If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria above then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the Authority at the time of measurement). In the event of distances being the same for 2 or more applicants where this distance would be last place/s to be allocated, a random lottery will be carried out in a public place. All the names will be entered into a hat and the required number of names will be drawn out.

# Great Crosby Catholic Primary School

Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	90	183
2024	120	138
2023	120	173

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Baptised Catholic Sibling	Baptised Catholic living in Parish	Other Baptised Catholic	Other Sibling	Other Christian	Other Faiths	Other Children (Distance)
2025	90	0	0	35	22	17	8	2	0	6
2024	61	0	0	28	7	11	7	2	0	6
2023	90	0	0	35	21	13	13	2	0	6

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	N/A	90
2024	N/A	65
2023	N/A	104

## Green Park Primary School

Green Lane, Maghull, L31 8BW

**Headteacher:** Ms M Burns

Community school

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 208

**Admission Number 2026: 30**

Establishment number: 343 2080

**Telephone:** 0151 526 2755

**Website:** [www.greenparkschool.org.uk](http://www.greenparkschool.org.uk)

Age range: 4-11

Nursery at School: Yes

Admission Authority: **Local Authority**

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, by Sefton LA, to allocate places.

- 1) **Looked after children** and all **previously looked after children**, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to **have been in state care outside of England** and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order). \*
- 2) **Sibling** - Children who have a **brother or sister** living in the same house who already attends the primary school of their choice, provided they will still attend the school in September 2026. Sibling is defined in these arrangements as step-children, foster children and half-brothers and sisters, adopted brothers and sisters or children of the parent(s)/carer(s)'s partner, living in the same family unit at the same address. <sup>(1)</sup>
- 3) **Children of staff** where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the admission application for the school is made, and/or where the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. <sup>(1)</sup> Parent(s)/carer(s) **must** state the employee's name on their admission application form. Details will be validated by the school.
- 4) **Distance** - Children in order, of proximity of their home to school, measured as per the tie breaker clause shown below. <sup>(1)</sup>

**\*See glossary for full definition**

### Tie Breaker Clause

<sup>(1)</sup> If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the local authority at the time of measurement).

## Green Park Primary School

### Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	30	91
2024	30	113
2023	30	89

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Sibling	Children of Staff	Distance	If oversubscribed furthest distance (miles)
2025	30	0	0	9	0	21	1.343
2024	30	0	0	18	0	12	0.727
2023	30	0	1	14	0	15	1.228

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	N/A	30
2024	0/4	30
2023	0/2	30

## Hatton Hill Primary School

Alwyn Avenue, Litherland, Liverpool, L21 9NZ

**Headteacher:** Mrs A James

Community school

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 304

**Admission Number 2026: 30**

Establishment number: 343 2066

**Telephone:** 0151 928 7012

**Website:** [www.hattonhill.co.uk](http://www.hattonhill.co.uk)

Age range: 4-11

Nursery at School: Yes

Admission Authority: **Local Authority**

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, by Sefton LA, to allocate places.

- 1) **Looked after children** and all **previously looked after children**, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to **have been in state care outside of England** and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order). \*
- 2) **Sibling** - Children who have a **brother or sister** living in the same house who already attends the primary school of their choice, provided they will still be in attendance at the school in September 2026. Sibling is defined in these arrangements as step-children, foster children and half-brothers and sisters, adopted brothers and sisters or children of the parent(s)/carer(s)'s partner, living in the same family unit at the same address. <sup>(1)</sup>
- 3) **Children of staff** where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the admission application for the school is made, and/or where the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. <sup>(1)</sup> Parent(s)/carer(s) **must** state the employee's name on their admission application form. Details will be validated by the school.
- 4) **Distance** - Children in order, of proximity of their home to school, measured as per the tie breaker clause shown below. <sup>(1)</sup>

**\*See glossary for full definition**

### Tie Breaker Clause

<sup>(1)</sup> If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the local authority at the time of measurement).

# Hatton Hill Primary School

## Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	30	62
2024	60	65
2023	60	85

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Sibling	Children of Staff	Distance	If oversubscribed furthest distance (miles)
2025	30	0	0	15	0	15	1.024
2024	35	1	0	7	0	27	N/A
2023	54	2	1	21	0	30	N/A

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	N/A	29
2024	N/A	34
2023	N/A	52

## Holy Family Catholic Primary School

Norwood Crescent, Southport, PR9 7DU

**Headteacher:** Miss M Hilton

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 200

Voluntary Aided Catholic school

**Admission Number 2026: 30**

Establishment number: 343 3336

**Telephone:** 01704 213084

**Website:** [www.holyfamilyprimary.com](http://www.holyfamilyprimary.com)

Nursery at School: No

Age range: 4-11

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

A supplementary faith information form (available from the school) must be completed for admission requests for this school.

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, to allocate places.

- 1) Looked after children and all previously looked after children. This includes children who appear to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted. \*
- 2) Baptised Catholic children who have a sibling\* in the school at the time of admission.
- 3) Baptised Catholic children resident in the parish of Holy Family, Southport.
- 4) Other baptised Catholic children.
- 5) Other children who have a sibling\* in the school at the time of admission.
- 6) Children from other Christian denominations. Proof of Baptism in the form of a Baptismal Certificate or confirmation in writing that the applicant is a member of their faith community from an appropriate Minister of Religion is required.
- 7) Children of other faiths. An appropriate Faith Leader would need to confirm in writing that the applicant is a member of their faith group.
- 8) Other children.

**\*See glossary for full definition**

### Tie Breaker Clause

If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria above then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the Authority at the time of measurement). In the event of distances being the same for 2 or more applicants where this distance would be last place/s to be allocated, a random lottery will be carried out in a public place. All the names will be entered into a hat and the required number of names will be drawn out.

# Holy Family Catholic Primary School

Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	30	51
2024	30	72
2023	30	68

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Baptised Catholic Sibling	Baptised Catholic living in Parish	Other Baptised Catholic	Other Sibling	Other Christian	Other Faiths	Other Children (Distance)
2025	17	1	0	3	2	1	4	2	0	4
2024	23	0	0	9	2	1	4	0	0	7
2023	30	0	0	11	6	4	2	2	0	5

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	N/A	15
2024	N/A	22
2023	N/A	30

## Holy Rosary Catholic Primary School

Oriel Drive, Aintree, L10 6NJ

**Acting Headteacher:** Mrs M Stevenson

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 419

Voluntary Aided Catholic school

**Admission Number 2026: 60**

Establishment number: 343 3374

**Telephone:** 0151 288 6206

**Website:** [www.holyrosaryschool.co.uk](http://www.holyrosaryschool.co.uk)

Nursery at School: Yes

Age range: 4-11

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

A supplementary faith information form (available from the school) must be completed for admission requests for this school.

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, to allocate places.

- 1) Looked after children and all previously looked after children. This includes children who appear to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted. \*
- 2) Baptised Catholic children who have a sibling\* in the school at the time of admission.
- 3) Baptised Catholic children resident in the parish of Holy Rosary and St Mary & St Kentigern (the part of the parish formerly referred to as Most Holy Redeemer & St Kentigern).
- 4) Other baptised Catholic children.
- 5) Other children who have a sibling\* in the school at the time of admission
- 6) Children from other Christian denominations. Proof of Baptism in the form of a Baptismal Certificate or confirmation in writing that the applicant is a member of their faith community from an appropriate Minister of Religion is required.
- 7) Children of other faiths. An appropriate Faith Leader would need to confirm in writing that the applicant is a member of their faith group.
- 8) Other children.

**\*See glossary for full definition**

### Tie Breaker Clause

If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria above then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the Authority at the time of measurement). In the event of distances being the same for 2 or more applicants where this distance would be last place/s to be allocated, a random lottery will be carried out in a public place. All the names will be entered into a hat and the required number of names will be drawn out.

# Holy Rosary Catholic Primary School

## Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	60	121
2024	60	135
2023	60	115

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Baptised Catholic Sibling	Baptised Catholic living in Parish	Other Baptised Catholic	Other Sibling	Other Christian	Other Faiths	Other Children (Distance)
2025	55	0	0	20	20	14	0	0	0	1
2024	60	0	0	33	27	0	0	0	0	0
2023	60	0	1	23	25	10	0	1	0	0

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	N/A	56
2024	1/5	61
2023	1/3	61

## Holy Spirit Catholic Academy

Poulsom Drive, Bootle, Liverpool, L30 2NR

**Headteacher:** Mrs L Chellew

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 155

Catholic academy school

**Admission Number 2026: 30**

Establishment number: 343 2006

**Telephone:** 0151 525 7497

**Website:** [www.holyspiritcatholicprimary.co.uk](http://www.holyspiritcatholicprimary.co.uk)

Nursery at School: Yes

Age range: 4-11

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

A supplementary faith information form (available from the school) must be completed for admission requests for this school.

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, to allocate places.

- 1) Looked after children and previously looked after children. This includes children who appear to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted. \*
- 2) Baptised Catholic children who have a sibling\* in the school at the time of admission.
- 3) Baptised Catholic children resident in the parish of Our Lady of Walsingham (the part of the parish formerly referred to as Holy Spirit).
- 4) Other baptised Catholic children.
- 5) Other children who have a sibling\* in the school at the time of admission.
- 6) Children from other Christian denominations. Proof of Baptism in the form of a Baptismal Certificate or confirmation in writing that the applicant is a member of their faith community from an appropriate Minister of Religion is required.
- 7) Children of other faiths. An appropriate Faith Leader would need to confirm in writing that the applicant is a member of their faith group.
- 8) Other children.

**\*See glossary for full definition**

### Tie Breaker Clause

If it is not possible to offer places for all applicants within any criteria above then places will be allocated to the children who live nearest to the school. Distance will be measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. The Local Authority will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the Authority at the time of measurement). In the event of distances being the same for two or more applicants where this distance would be last place/s to be allocated, we will use a system to randomly pick who will be offered a place.

# Holy Spirit Catholic Academy

## Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	30	25
2024	30	26
2023	30	19

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Baptised Catholic Sibling	Baptised Catholic living in Parish	Other Baptised Catholic	Other Sibling	Other Christian	Other Faiths	Other Children (Distance)
2025	14	0	0	0	2	0	1	1	0	10
2024	11	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	8
2023	9	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	5

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	N/A	13
2024	N/A	12
2023	N/A	11

## Holy Trinity CE Primary School

Manchester Road, Southport, PR9 9AZ

**Headteacher:** Mrs L Thompson

Church of England academy school

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 203

**Admission Number 2026: 30**

Establishment number: 343 3304

**Telephone:** 01704 538366

**Website:** [www.holytrinityprimary.co.uk](http://www.holytrinityprimary.co.uk)

Age range: 4-11

Nursery at School: Yes

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

A supplementary faith information form (available from the school) must be completed for admission requests for this school.

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, to allocate places.

- 1) A 'looked after child' or a child who was previously looked after but immediately after being looked after became subject to an adoption, child arrangements, or special guardianship order. 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. Children who appear [to the admission authority of the school] to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted. A child is regarded as having been in state care in a place outside of England if they were accommodated by a public authority, a religious organisation, or any other provider of care whose sole purpose is to benefit society.
- 2) Siblings\* of pupils attending the school during the academic year to which the child would be admitted.
- 3) Regular attendance at public worship at Holy Trinity Southport Church of England church. \*\*
- 4) Regular attendance at public worship in any other Christian church. For the purposes of these admission arrangements 'other Christian Church' means a church which is designated under the Ecumenical Relations Measure 2018, nationally by the Archbishops of Canterbury and York, or locally by the diocesan bishop, or which is a member of Churches Together in England or affiliated to the Evangelical Alliance or a Partner Church of Affinity. \*\*
- 5) Social and Medical Need. Admission on social or medical grounds can be considered where the medical condition relates either to the child in question or a parent/carer, brother or sister or other relative/childminder. Supporting evidence in the form of a letter from a doctor or social worker or other relevant qualified, independent professional, would be required.
- 6) Proximity to the school with those living closest to the school having priority calculated by walking distance to school. The child's home address will be determined from the application form, (contact the school directly for the full definition).

### \*See glossary for full definition

\*\* Attendance will be established by information provided on the Supplementary Information Form completed by a member of the clergy or other designated church officer. For the purposes of these admission arrangements 'regular' means attendance at least eight times in the twelve months immediately prior to the date of application. In the event that during the period specified for attendance at worship the church has been closed for public worship and has not provided alternative premises for that worship, the requirements of these admissions arrangements in relation to attendance will only apply to the period when the church or alternative premises have been available for public worship.

### Tie Breaker Clause

Proximity to the school. This will be measured by the shortest walking distance by road or maintained footpath or other public rights of way from the pupil's home, to the main entrance point of the school using a GIS computerised mapping system. In the event that two or more children live at the same distance from the school (as can happen with families living in blocks of flats), random allocation, where supervised drawing of lots by an independent responsible person of good standing will be used to decide which child(ren) will be allocated the remaining place(s).

# Holy Trinity CE Primary School

Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	30	37
2024	30	55
2023	30	49

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Sibling	Worship at Holy Trinity CE Church	Worship at other Christian Church	Social/Medical/ need	Proximity (Distance)
2025	24	0	0	12	0	0	0	12
2024	30	0	1	8	0	0	0	21
2023	30	0	0	8	0	0	0	22

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	N/A	28
2024	N/A	30
2023	N/A	30

## Hudson Primary School

Moorhey Road, Maghull, L31 5LE

**Headteacher:** Mrs N Craddock

Community school

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 241

**Admission Number 2026: 30**

Establishment number: 343 2053

**Telephone:** 0151 526 1568

**Website:** [www.hudsonprimary.co.uk](http://www.hudsonprimary.co.uk)

Age range: 4-11

Nursery at School: Yes

Admission Authority: **Local Authority**

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, by Sefton LA, to allocate places.

- 1) **Looked after children** and all **previously looked after children**, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to **have been in state care outside of England** and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order). \*
- 2) **Sibling** - Children who have a **brother or sister** living in the same house who already attends the primary school of their choice, provided they will still attend the school in September 2026. Sibling is defined in these arrangements as step-children, foster children and half-brothers and sisters, adopted brothers and sisters or children of the parent(s)/carer(s)'s partner, living in the same family unit at the same address. <sup>(1)</sup>
- 3) **Children of staff** where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the admission application for the school is made, and/or where the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. <sup>(1)</sup> Parent(s)/carer(s) **must** state the employee's name on their admission application form. Details will be validated by the school.
- 4) **Distance** - Children in order, of proximity of their home to school, measured as per the tie breaker clause shown below. <sup>(1)</sup>

**\*See glossary for full definition**

### Tie Breaker Clause

<sup>(1)</sup> If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the local authority at the time of measurement).

# Hudson Primary School

## Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	30	63
2024	30	55
2023	30	72

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Sibling	Children of Staff	Distance	If oversubscribed furthest distance (miles)
2025	30	1	0	8	1	20	3.783
2024	30	2	0	9	0	19	4.148
2023	30	5	2	14	0	9	0.247

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	N/A	30
2024	N/A	30
2023	2/6	33

## Kew Woods Primary School

Ovington Drive, Southport, PR8 6JW

**Executive Headteacher:** Mrs C Greaves

**Website:** [www.kewwoods.co.uk](http://www.kewwoods.co.uk)

Age range: 4-11

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 415

Establishment number: 343 2048

**Telephone:** 01704 533478

**Head of School:** Miss L Checkley

Academy school

Nursery at School: Yes

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

## Admission Number 2026: 60

### Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan where the school is named in the plan, and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, by Sefton LA, to allocate places at the school, on behalf of the school's Governing Body (or Multi Academy Trust):

- 1) **Looked after children** and all **previously looked after children**, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to **have been in state care outside of England** and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order). \*
- 2) **Sibling** - Children who have a **brother or sister** living in the same house who already attends the primary school of their choice, provided they will still attend the school in September 2026. Sibling is defined in these arrangements as step-children, foster children and half-brothers and sisters, adopted brothers and sisters or children of the parent(s)/carer(s)'s partner, living in the same family unit at the same address. <sup>(1)</sup>
- 3) **Children of staff** where the member of staff has been employed at a school within Southport Learning Trust for two or more years at the time at which the admission application for the school is made, and/or where the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. <sup>(1)</sup> Parent(s)/carer(s) **must** state the employee's name on their admission application form. Details will be validated by the school.
- 4) **Distance** - Children in order, of proximity of their home to school, measured as per the tie breaker clause shown below. <sup>(1)</sup>

**\*See glossary for full definition**

#### Tie Breaker Clause

<sup>(1)</sup> If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the local authority at the time of measurement).

## Kew Woods Primary School

### Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	60	93
2024	60	110
2023	60	127

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Sibling	Children of Staff	Distance	If oversubscribed furthest distance (miles)
2025	51	0	1	17	1	32	N/A
2024	60	1	0	25	2	32	0.941
2023	60	0	0	25	0	35	1.292

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	N/A	50
2024	0/1	60
2023	1/7	60

## King's Lander Primary Academy

Pennington Road, Litherland, Liverpool, L21 8HY

**Headteacher:** Mrs Y Dineley

Academy school

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 199

**Admission Number 2026: 30**

Establishment number: 343 2060

**Telephone:** 0151 922 5760

**Website:** [www.lander-road.co.uk](http://www.lander-road.co.uk)

Age range: 4-11

Nursery at School: Yes

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

## Admissions Criteria 2026

Where more applications are received than there are places available, after consultations and admission of pupils with an EHCP naming Kings Lander Primary Academy, applications will be considered in accordance with the schools published oversubscription criteria and applied in the following order, by the local authority on behalf of the Trust:

- 1) **Looked after children** and all **previously looked after children**, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order). \*
- 2) **Sibling** - Children who have a sibling living who already attends the academy, provided they will still be in attendance at the academy in September 2026. Sibling is defined in these arrangements as children who live as brother or sister in the same house, including natural brother or sisters, step brother or sisters, foster brothers and sisters and half brothers and sisters, adopted brothers and sisters or children of the parent/carer's partner, living in the same family unit at the same address. <sup>(1)</sup>
- 3) **Children of permanent staff members** currently employed at the academy provided the staff member has been employed for at least two years at the time of the application and/or where the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. <sup>(1)</sup> Parent(s)/carer(s) **must** state the employee's name on their admission application form. Details will be validated by the school.
- 4) **Children who attend Kings Lander Primary Academy nursery** for at least one term before their admission to reception.
- 5) **Distance** - Children in order of proximity of their home to the academy measured as per the tie breaker clause shown below. <sup>(1)</sup>

**\*See glossary for full definition**

### Tie Breaker Clause

<sup>(1)</sup> If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. The distance will be measured from the property's address point to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the local authority at the time of measurement).

# King's Lander Primary Academy

## Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	30	50
2024	30	60
2023	30	84

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Sibling	Children of Staff	Distance	If oversubscribed furthest distance (miles)
2025	26	0	1	6	0	19	N/A
2024	28	0	1	9	1	17	N/A
2023	30	0	0	17	0	13	0.272

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	N/A	25
2024	N/A	30
2023	1/3	31

## Kings Meadow Primary School

Meadow Lane, Southport, PR8 3RS

**Headteacher:** Mrs S Lineton

Community school

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 156

**Admission Number 2026: 30**

Establishment number: 343 2087

**Telephone:** 01704 578512

**Website:** [www.kingsmeadowprimary.co.uk](http://www.kingsmeadowprimary.co.uk)

Age range: 4-11

Nursery at School: Yes

Admission Authority: **Local Authority**

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, by Sefton LA, to allocate places.

- 1) **Looked after children** and all **previously looked after children**, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to **have been in state care outside of England** and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order). \*
- 2) **Sibling** - Children who have a **brother or sister** living in the same house who already attends the primary school of their choice, provided they will still attend the school in September 2026. Sibling is defined in these arrangements as step-children, foster children and half-brothers and sisters, adopted brothers and sisters or children of the parent(s)/carer(s)'s partner, living in the same family unit at the same address. <sup>(1)</sup>
- 3) **Children of staff** where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the admission application for the school is made, and/or where the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. <sup>(1)</sup> Parent(s)/carer(s) **must** state the employee's name on their admission application form. Details will be validated by the school.
- 4) **Distance** - Children in order, of proximity of their home to school, measured as per the tie breaker clause shown below. <sup>(1)</sup>

**\*See glossary for full definition**

### Tie Breaker Clause

<sup>(1)</sup> If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the local authority at the time of measurement).

# Kings Meadow Primary School

## Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	30	47
2024	30	36
2023	30	48

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Sibling	Children of Staff	Distance	If oversubscribed furthest distance (miles)
2025	27	0	0	13	0	14	N/A
2024	18	0	1	7	1	9	N/A
2023	21	0	1	8	0	12	N/A

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	N/A	26
2024	N/A	16
2023	N/A	22

## Larkfield Primary School

Preston New Road, Southport, PR9 8PA

**Headteacher:** Mr J Ward

Community school

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 261

**Admission Number 2026: 30**

Establishment number: 343 2088

**Telephone:** 01704 224720

**Website:** [www.larkfieldprimary.co.uk](http://www.larkfieldprimary.co.uk)

Age range: 4-11

Nursery at School: No

Admission Authority: **Local Authority**

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, by Sefton LA, to allocate places.

- 1) **Looked after children** and all **previously looked after children**, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to **have been in state care outside of England** and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order). \*
- 2) **Sibling** - Children who have a **brother or sister** living in the same house who already attends the primary school of their choice, provided they will still attend the school in September 2026. Sibling is defined in these arrangements as step-children, foster children and half-brothers and sisters, adopted brothers and sisters or children of the parent(s)/carer(s)'s partner, living in the same family unit at the same address. <sup>(1)</sup>
- 3) **Children of staff** where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the admission application for the school is made, and/or where the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. <sup>(1)</sup> Parent(s)/carer(s) **must** state the employee's name on their admission application form. Details will be validated by the school.
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### Tie Breaker Clause

<sup>(1)</sup> If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home.

We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the local authority at the time of measurement).

# Larkfield Primary School

## Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	30	84
2024	45	85
2023	45	99

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Sibling	Children of Staff	Distance	If oversubscribed furthest distance (miles)
2025	30	0	2	11	0	17	15.386
2024	27	0	0	14	0	13	N/A
2023	28	0	0	14	0	14	N/A

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	N/A	30
2024	N/A	28
2023	N/A	33

## Linacre Primary School

Thornton Road, Bootle, Liverpool, L20 5ED

**Headteacher:** Mrs F Govan

Community school

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 120

**Admission Number 2026: 30**

Establishment number: 343 2008

**Telephone:** 0151 922 1466

**Website:** [www.linacreprimary.co.uk](http://www.linacreprimary.co.uk)

Age range: 4-11

Nursery at School: Yes

Admission Authority: **Local Authority**

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, by Sefton LA, to allocate places.

- 1) **Looked after children** and all **previously looked after children**, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to **have been in state care outside of England** and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order). \*
- 2) **Sibling** - Children who have a **brother or sister** living in the same house who already attends the primary school of their choice, provided they will still attend the school in September 2026. Sibling is defined in these arrangements as step-children, foster children and half-brothers and sisters, adopted brothers and sisters or children of the parent(s)/carer(s)'s partner, living in the same family unit at the same address. <sup>(1)</sup>
- 3) **Children of staff** where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the admission application for the school is made, and/or where the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. <sup>(1)</sup> Parent(s)/carer(s) **must** state the employee's name on their admission application form. Details will be validated by the school.
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### Tie Breaker Clause

<sup>(1)</sup> If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the local authority at the time of measurement).

# Linacre Primary School

## Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

<b>Year</b>	<b>Number of places available</b>	<b>Total number of applications received by closing date</b>
2025	30	32
2024	30	26
2023	30	25

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

<b>Year</b>	<b>Total places allocated</b>	<b>EHCP</b>	<b>Looked After children</b>	<b>Sibling</b>	<b>Children of Staff</b>	<b>Distance</b>	<b>If oversubscribed furthest distance (miles)</b>
2025	10	0	2	3	0	5	N/A
2024	10	0	0	3	0	7	N/A
2023	13	0	0	2	0	11	N/A

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

<b>Year</b>	<b>Appeals Number allowed / number heard</b>	<b>Final number of places allocated</b>
2025	N/A	16
2024	N/A	14
2023	N/A	14

## Linaker Primary School

Sefton Street, Southport, PR8 5DB

**Headteacher:** Mr M Cuncliffe

Academy school

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 365

**Admission Number 2026: 60**

Establishment number: 343 2009

**Telephone:** 01704 532343

**Website:** [www.linakerschool.co.uk](http://www.linakerschool.co.uk)

Age range: 4-11

Nursery at School: Yes

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan where the school is named in the plan, and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, by Sefton LA, to allocate places at the school, on behalf of the school's Governing Body (or Multi Academy Trust):

- 1) **Looked after children** and all **previously looked after children**, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to **have been in state care outside of England** and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order). \*
- 2) **Sibling** - Children who have a **brother or sister** living in the same house who already attends the primary school of their choice, provided they will still attend the school in September 2026. Sibling is defined in these arrangements as step-children, foster children and half-brothers and sisters, adopted brothers and sisters or children of the parent(s)/carer(s)'s partner, living in the same family unit at the same address. <sup>(1)</sup>
- 3) **Children of staff** where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the admission application for the school is made, and/or where the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. <sup>(1)</sup> Parent(s)/carer(s) **must** state the employee's name on their admission application form. Details will be validated by the school.
- 4) **Distance** - Children in order, of proximity of their home to school, measured as per the tie breaker clause shown below. <sup>(1)</sup>

**\*See glossary for full definition**

### Tie Breaker Clause

<sup>(1)</sup> If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the local authority at the time of measurement).

# Linaker Primary School

## Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	60	55
2024	75	54
2023	75	66

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Sibling	Children of Staff	Distance	If oversubscribed furthest distance (miles)
2025	26	1	0	5	0	20	N/A
2024	22	0	0	8	0	14	N/A
2023	31	1	1	12	0	17	N/A

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	N/A	32
2024	N/A	36
2023	N/A	47

## Litherland Moss Primary School

Sterrix Lane, Litherland, Liverpool, L21 ODB

**Executive Principal:** Ms S Greer

**Website:** [www.litherlandmoss.co.uk](http://www.litherlandmoss.co.uk)

Age range: 4-11

Nursery at School: Yes

Establishment number: 343 2063

**Telephone:** 0151 928 4544

**Head of School:** Mrs J Gibbons

Academy school

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 187

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

### Admission Number 2026: 30

### Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan where the school is named in the plan, and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, by Sefton LA, to allocate places at the school, on behalf of the school's Governing Body (or Multi Academy Trust):

- 1) **Looked after children** and all **previously looked after children**, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to **have been in state care outside of England** and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order). \*
- 2) **Sibling** - Children who have a **brother or sister** living in the same house who already attends the primary school of their choice, provided they will still attend the school in September 2026. Sibling is defined in these arrangements as step-children, foster children and half-brothers and sisters, adopted brothers and sisters or children of the parent(s)/carer(s)'s partner, living in the same family unit at the same address. <sup>(1)</sup>
- 3) **Distance** - Children in order, of proximity of their home to school, measured as per the tie breaker clause shown below. <sup>(1)</sup>

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### Tie Breaker Clause

<sup>(1)</sup> If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the local authority at the time of measurement).

# Litherland Moss Primary School

## Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

<b>Year</b>	<b>Number of places available</b>	<b>Total number of applications received by closing date</b>
2025	30	61
2024	30	62
2023	30	54

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

<b>Year</b>	<b>Total places allocated</b>	<b>EHCP</b>	<b>Looked After children</b>	<b>Sibling</b>	<b>Distance</b>	<b>If oversubscribed furthest distance (miles)</b>
2025	30	0	0	8	22	N/A
2024	26	0	0	13	13	N/A
2023	26	1	0	9	16	N/A

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

<b>Year</b>	<b>Appeals Number allowed / number heard</b>	<b>Final number of places allocated</b>
2025	N/A	29
2024	N/A	28
2023	N/A	28

## Lydiate Primary School

Lambshear Lane, Lydiate, L31 2JZ

**Headteacher:** Mrs G Forshaw

Community school

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 214

**Admission Number 2026: 30**

Establishment number: 343 2092

**Telephone:** 0151 526 2657

**Website:** [www.lydiateprimary.co.uk](http://www.lydiateprimary.co.uk)

Age range: 4-11

Nursery at School: Yes

Admission Authority: **Local Authority**

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, by Sefton LA, to allocate places.

- 1) **Looked after children** and all **previously looked after children**, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to **have been in state care outside of England** and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order). \*
- 2) **Sibling** - Children who have a **brother or sister** living in the same house who already attends the primary school of their choice, provided they will still attend the school in September 2026. Sibling is defined in these arrangements as step-children, foster children and half-brothers and sisters, adopted brothers and sisters or children of the parent(s)/carer(s)'s partner, living in the same family unit at the same address. <sup>(1)</sup>
- 3) **Children of staff** where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the admission application for the school is made, and/or where the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. <sup>(1)</sup> Parent(s)/carer(s) **must** state the employee's name on their admission application form. Details will be validated by the school.
- 4) **Distance** - Children in order, of proximity of their home to school, measured as per the tie breaker clause shown below. <sup>(1)</sup>

**\*See glossary for full definition**

### Tie Breaker Clause

<sup>(1)</sup> If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the local authority at the time of measurement).

# Lydiat Primary School

## Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	30	44
2024	30	45
2023	30	33

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Sibling	Children of Staff	Distance	If oversubscribed furthest distance (miles)
2025	22	0	0	14	0	8	N/A
2024	30	0	0	10	0	20	5.629
2023	26	0	0	3	0	23	N/A

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	N/A	26
2024	N/A	29
2023	N/A	30

## Marshside Primary School

Elswick Road, Southport, PR9 9XA

**Headteacher:** Mr S Haughey

Community school

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 191

**Admission Number 2026: 30**

Establishment number: 343 2047

**Telephone:** 01704 211177

**Website:** [www.marshsideprimary.org.uk](http://www.marshsideprimary.org.uk)

Age range: 4-11

Nursery at School: No

Admission Authority: **Local Authority**

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, by Sefton LA, to allocate places.

- 1) **Looked after children** and all **previously looked after children**, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to **have been in state care outside of England** and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order). \*
- 2) **Sibling** - Children who have a **brother or sister** living in the same house who already attends the primary school of their choice, provided they will still attend the school in September 2026. Sibling is defined in these arrangements as step-children, foster children and half-brothers and sisters, adopted brothers and sisters or children of the parent(s)/carer(s)'s partner, living in the same family unit at the same address. <sup>(1)</sup>
- 3) **Children of staff** where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the admission application for the school is made, and/or where the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. <sup>(1)</sup> Parent(s)/carer(s) **must** state the employee's name on their admission application form. Details will be validated by the school.
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### Tie Breaker Clause

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# Marshside Primary School

## Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	30	68
2024	30	55
2023	30	56

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Sibling	Children of Staff	Distance	If oversubscribed furthest distance (miles)
2025	30	1	1	8	0	20	2.772
2024	23	1	1	8	0	13	N/A
2023	29	1	0	7	0	21	N/A

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	N/A	26
2024	N/A	22
2023	N/A	31

## Melling Primary School

Wheeler Drive, Melling, L31 1DA

**Headteacher:** Ms V Ainsworth

Community school

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 214

**Admission Number 2026: 30**

Establishment number: 343 2090

**Telephone:** 0151 547 3349

**Website:** [www.mellingprimaryschool.co.uk](http://www.mellingprimaryschool.co.uk)

Age range: 4-11

Nursery at School: No

Admission Authority: **Local Authority**

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, by Sefton LA, to allocate places.

- 1) **Looked after children** and all **previously looked after children**, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to **have been in state care outside of England** and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order). \*
- 2) **Sibling** - Children who have a **brother or sister** living in the same house who already attends the primary school of their choice, provided they will still attend the school in September 2026. Sibling is defined in these arrangements as step-children, foster children and half-brothers and sisters, adopted brothers and sisters or children of the parent(s)/carer(s)'s partner, living in the same family unit at the same address. <sup>(1)</sup>
- 3) **Children of staff** where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the admission application for the school is made, and/or where the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. <sup>(1)</sup> Parent(s)/carer(s) **must** state the employee's name on their admission application form. Details will be validated by the school.
- 4) **Catchment Area** - Children who live in the area for which the school is designated to serve (as shown on the map on the next page). The school should normally be able to offer places to all pupils living in the area. If, however, it cannot do so, priority is given to those pupils living closest to the school, measured as per the tie breaker clause shown below. <sup>(1)</sup> **This area is shown on the map on the next page.**
- 5) **Distance** - Children in order, of proximity of their home to school, measured as per the tie breaker clause shown below. <sup>(1)</sup>

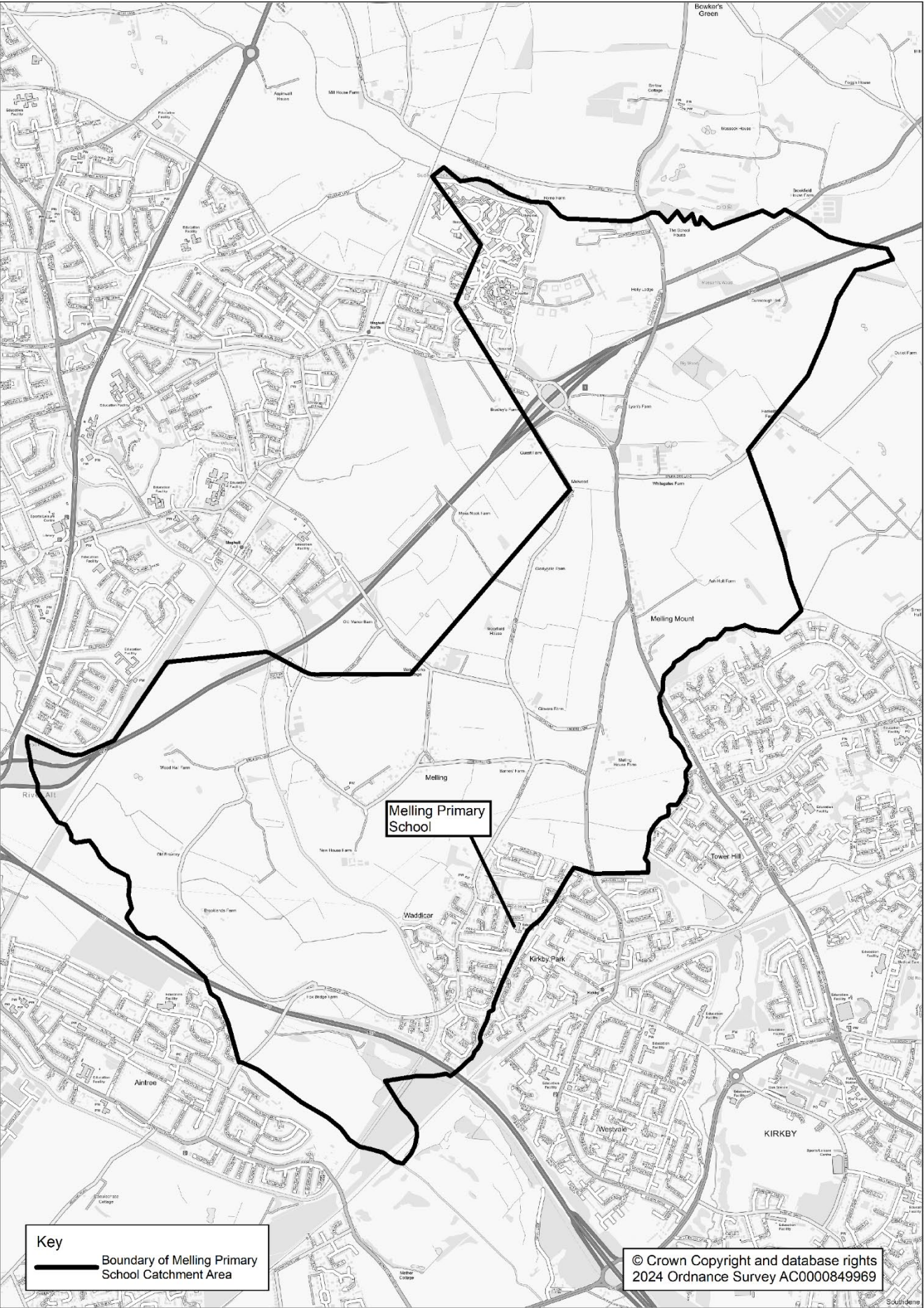
**\*See glossary for full definition**

### Tie Breaker Clause

<sup>(1)</sup> If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria, then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the local authority at the time of measurement).

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# Melling Primary School Catchment Area



# Melling Primary School

## Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	30	80
2024	30	76
2023	30	61

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Sibling	Children of Staff	Catchment Area	Distance	If oversubscribed furthest distance (miles)
2025	30	0	0	8	0	18	4	0.996
2024	30	0	0	14	0	13	3	0.320
2023	30	0	2	9	0	12	7	1.226

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	0/1	30
2024	0/1	30
2023	0/2	30

## Netherton Moss Primary School

Swifts Lane, Bootle, Liverpool, L30 3RU

**Headteacher:** Mr D Hird

Community school

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 197

**Admission Number 2026: 30**

Establishment number: 343 2013

**Telephone:** 0151 525 5026

**Website:** [www.nethertonmoss.co.uk](http://www.nethertonmoss.co.uk)

Age range: 4-11

Nursery at School: Yes

Admission Authority: **Local Authority**

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, by Sefton LA, to allocate places.

- 1) **Looked after children** and all **previously looked after children**, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to **have been in state care outside of England** and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order). \*
- 2) **Sibling** - Children who have a **brother or sister** living in the same house who already attends the primary school of their choice, provided they will still attend the school in September 2026. Sibling is defined in these arrangements as step-children, foster children and half-brothers and sisters, adopted brothers and sisters or children of the parent(s)/carer(s)'s partner, living in the same family unit at the same address. <sup>(1)</sup>
- 3) **Children of staff** where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the admission application for the school is made, and/or where the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. <sup>(1)</sup> Parent(s)/carer(s) **must** state the employee's name on their admission application form. Details will be validated by the school.
- 4) **Distance** - Children in order, of proximity of their home to school, measured as per the tie breaker clause shown below. <sup>(1)</sup>

**\*See glossary for full definition**

### Tie Breaker Clause

<sup>(1)</sup> If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the local authority at the time of measurement).

# Netherton Moss Primary School

## Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	30	58
2024	30	59
2023	30	59

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Sibling	Children of Staff	Distance	If oversubscribed furthest distance (miles)
2025	30	0	0	18	1	11	0.493
2024	25	0	0	11	0	14	N/A
2023	26	0	0	12	0	14	N/A

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	N/A	30
2024	N/A	26
2023	N/A	29

## Northway Primary School

Dodds Lane, Maghull, L31 9AA

**Headteacher:** Mrs K McKenzie

Community school

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 315

**Admission Number 2026: 45**

Establishment number: 343 2067

**Telephone:** 0151 526 2565

**Website:** [www.northwayprimary.co.uk](http://www.northwayprimary.co.uk)

Age range: 4-11

Nursery at School: Yes

Admission Authority: **Local Authority**

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, by Sefton LA, to allocate places.

- 1) **Looked after children** and all **previously looked after children**, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to **have been in state care outside of England** and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order). \*
- 2) **Sibling** - Children who have a **brother or sister** living in the same house who already attends the primary school of their choice, provided they will still attend the school in September 2026. Sibling is defined in these arrangements as step-children, foster children and half-brothers and sisters, adopted brothers and sisters or children of the parent(s)/carer(s)'s partner, living in the same family unit at the same address. <sup>(1)</sup>
- 3) **Children of staff** where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the admission application for the school is made, and/or where the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. <sup>(1)</sup> Parent(s)/carer(s) **must** state the employee's name on their admission application form. Details will be validated by the school.
- 4) **Distance** - Children in order, of proximity of their home to school, measured as per the tie breaker clause shown below. <sup>(1)</sup>

**\*See glossary for full definition**

### Tie Breaker Clause

<sup>(1)</sup> If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the local authority at the time of measurement).

# Northway Primary School

## Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	45	124
2024	45	118
2023	45	118

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Sibling	Children of Staff	Distance	If oversubscribed furthest distance (miles)
2025	45	1	1	20	0	23	0.823
2024	45	1	1	19	0	24	1.137
2023	45	0	0	23	0	22	0.526

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	1/4	46
2024	0/3	45
2023	0/10	45

## Norwood Primary School

Norwood Crescent, Southport, PR9 7DU

**Headteacher:** Mr L Dumbell (until December 2025)

Community school

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 625

**Admission Number 2026: 90**

Establishment number: 343 2038

**Telephone:** 01704 211960

**Website:** [www.norwoodprimaryschool.com](http://www.norwoodprimaryschool.com)

Age range: 4-11

Nursery at School: No

Admission Authority: **Local Authority**

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, by Sefton LA, to allocate places.

- 1) **Looked after children** and all **previously looked after children**, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to **have been in state care outside of England** and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order). \*
- 2) **Sibling** - Children who have a **brother or sister** living in the same house who already attends the primary school of their choice, provided they will still attend the school in September 2026. Sibling is defined in these arrangements as step-children, foster children and half-brothers and sisters, adopted brothers and sisters or children of the parent(s)/carer(s)'s partner, living in the same family unit at the same address. <sup>(1)</sup>
- 3) **Children of staff** where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the admission application for the school is made, and/or where the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. <sup>(1)</sup> Parent(s)/carer(s) **must** state the employee's name on their admission application form. Details will be validated by the school.
- 4) **Distance** - Children in order, of proximity of their home to school, measured as per the tie breaker clause shown below. <sup>(1)</sup>

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### Tie Breaker Clause

<sup>(1)</sup> If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the local authority at the time of measurement).

# Norwood Primary School

## Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	90	177
2024	90	187
2023	90	192

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Sibling	Children of Staff	Distance	If oversubscribed furthest distance (miles)
2025	80	1	1	38	0	40	N/A
2024	90	1	1	32	1	55	1.858
2023	90	0	0	32	0	58	1.010

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	N/A	81
2024	N/A	90
2023	0/2	91

# Our Lady of Compassion Catholic Primary School

Establishment number: 343 3359

Bull Cop, Formby, L37 8BZ

**Headteacher:** Mr A Houghton

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 204

Voluntary Aided Catholic school

**Telephone:** 01704 877281

**Website:** [www.olocprimary.co.uk](http://www.olocprimary.co.uk)

Nursery at School: Yes

Age range: 4-11

**Admission Number 2026: 30**

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

A supplementary faith information form (available from the school) must be completed for admission requests for this school.

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, to allocate places.

- 1) Looked after children and all previously looked after children. This includes children who appear to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted. \*
- 2) Baptised Catholic children who have a sibling\* in the school at the time of admission.
- 3) Baptised Catholic children resident in the parishes of Our Lady of Compassion, Formby (the parts of the parish formerly referred to as Our Lady of Compassion and St Anne's, Freshfield.
- 4) Other baptised Catholic children.
- 5) Other children who have a sibling\* in the school at the time of admission.
- 6) Children from other Christian denominations. Proof of Baptism in the form of a Baptismal Certificate or confirmation in writing that the applicant is a member of their faith community from an appropriate Minister of Religion is required.
- 7) Children of other faiths. An appropriate Faith Leader would need to confirm in writing that the applicant is a member of their faith group.
- 8) Other children.

**\*See glossary for full definition**

### Tie Breaker Clause

If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria above then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the Authority at the time of measurement). In the event of distances being the same for 2 or more applicants where this distance would be last place/s to be allocated, a random lottery will be carried out in a public place. All the names will be entered into a hat and the required number of names will be drawn out.

# Our Lady of Compassion Catholic Primary School

## Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	30	65
2024	30	51
2023	30	51

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Baptised Catholic Sibling	Baptised Catholic living in Parish	Other Baptised Catholic	Other Sibling	Other Christian	Other Faiths	Other Children (Distance)
2025	30	0	0	10	12	4	4	0	0	0
2024	29	0	0	5	10	1	2	0	0	11
2023	28	0	0	8	4	1	5	0	0	10

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	0/3	30
2024	N/A	30
2023	N/A	31

# Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Primary School

Establishment number: 343 3337

Grantham Road, Southport, PR8 4LT

**Headteacher:** Mr D McCann

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2026): 383

Catholic academy school

**Telephone:** 01704 568375

**Website:** [www.ololprimary.org.uk](http://www.ololprimary.org.uk)

Nursery at School: Yes

Age range: 4-11

**Admission Number 2026: 60**

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

A supplementary faith information form (available from the school) must be completed for admission requests for this school.

## Admissions Criteria 2026

Children with an Education, Health and Care Plan that names the academy must be admitted. Where this takes place before the allocation of places under these arrangements this will reduce the number of places available to other children. Where there are more applications for places than the number of places available, places will be offered according to the following order of priority:

- 1) Looked after children and previously looked after children\*.
  - i) Children who have a brother or sister at the school at the time of admission
  - ii) Other children
- 2) Catholic children who are resident in the parishes of Our Lady of Lourdes & St Joseph, Sacred Heart & St John Stone and St Teresa.
  - i) Children who have a brother or sister at the school at the time of admission
  - ii) Other children
- 3) Other Catholic children.
  - i) Children who have a brother or sister at the school at the time of admission
  - ii) Other children
- 4) Other children who have a brother or sister at the school at the time of admission.
- 5) Catechumens in the Catholic Church and members of an Eastern Christian Church not in full communion with Rome.
- 6) Children of other Christian Ecclesial Communities whose membership is evidenced by a minister of religion.
- 7) Children of other faiths whose membership is evidenced by a religious leader.
- 8) Any other children.

**\*See glossary for full definition**

### Tie Breaker Clause

Priority will be given to children living closest to the school determined by the shortest walking distance from the property address point to the nearest school gate, using the methodology of measurement adopted by Sefton Local Authority. Distance measurements are provided by the local authority. <sup>(1)</sup>. In the event of distances being the same for two or more children where this would determine the last place to be allocated, random allocation will be carried out and supervised by a person independent of the school. All the names will be entered into a hat and the required number of names will be drawn out.

<sup>(1)</sup>. Further information can be found in the 'Guide for Parents' published by Sefton Local Authority.

# Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Primary School

## Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	60	80
2024	60	79
2023	60	68

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

**Note:** For 2025 admissions 46 children were allocated places on national offer day. The breakdown of pupils considered under each admission criterion has not been made available to the local authority. Please contact the school directly for this information, if required.

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Baptised Catholic Sibling	Baptised Catholic living in Parish	Other Baptised Catholic	Other Sibling	Other Christian	Other Faiths	Other Children (Distance)
2024	45	0	0	12	9	0	9	0	0	15
2023	35	0	2	11	2	3	8	1	0	8

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	N/A	44
2024	N/A	44
2023	N/A	40

# Our Lady of Walsingham Catholic Primary School

Establishment number: 343 3383

Stand Park Avenue, Bootle, Liverpool, L30 3SA

**Headteacher:** Ms C Simms

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 182

Catholic academy school

**Telephone:** 0151 525 6358

**Website:** [www.olwprimary.co.uk](http://www.olwprimary.co.uk)

Nursery at School: Yes

Age range: 4-11

**Admission Number 2026: 30**

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

A supplementary faith information form (available from the school) must be completed for admission requests for this school.

## Admissions Criteria 2026

Children with an Education, Health and Care Plan that names the school must be admitted. Where this takes place before the allocation of places under these arrangements this will reduce the number of places available to other children. Where there are more applications for places than the number of places available, places will be offered according to the following order of priority:

- 1) Looked after children and previously looked after children\*.
  - i) Children who have a brother or sister at the school at the time of admission
  - ii) Other children
- 2) Catholic children who are resident in the parish of Our Lady of Walsingham.
  - i) Children who have a brother or sister at the school at the time of admission
  - ii) Other children
- 3) Other Catholic children.
  - i) Children who have a brother or sister at the school at the time of admission
  - ii) Other children
- 4) Other children who have a brother or sister at the school at the time of admission.
- 5) Catechumens in the Catholic Church and members of an Eastern Christian Church not in full communion with Rome.
- 6) Children of other Christian Ecclesial Communities whose membership is evidenced by a minister of religion.
- 7) Children of other faiths whose membership is evidenced by a religious leader.
- 8) Any other children.

**\*See glossary for full definition**

### Tie Breaker Clause

Priority will be given to children living closest to the school determined by the shortest walking distance from the property address point to the nearest school gate, using the methodology of measurement adopted by Sefton. Distance measurements are provided by the local authority. <sup>(1)</sup>. In the event of distances being the same for two or more children where this would determine the last place to be allocated, random allocation will be carried out and supervised by a person independent of the school. All the names will be entered into a hat and the required number of names will be drawn out.

<sup>(1)</sup>. Further information can be found in the 'Guide for Parents' published by Sefton Local Authority.

# Our Lady of Walsingham Catholic Primary School

## Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	30	26
2024	30	37
2023	30	32

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

**Note:** For 2025 admissions 21 children were allocated places on national offer day. As ALL applicants could be offered a place at the school, the school was not required to consider each application under the individual admission criteria.

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Baptised Catholic Sibling	Baptised Catholic living in Parish	Other Baptised Catholic	Other Sibling	Other Christian	Other Faiths	Other Children (Distance)
2024	29	0	0	7	3	1	8	8	2	0
2023	25	0	3	3	3	2	6	0	1	7

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	N/A	22
2024	N/A	25
2023	N/A	26

# Our Lady Queen of Peace Catholic Primary School

Establishment number: 343 3366

Ford Close, Litherland, Liverpool, L21 0EP

**Acting Headteacher:** Mrs M Richardson

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2026): 137

Voluntary Aided Catholic school

**Telephone:** 0151 928 3676

**Website:** [www.ourladyqueenofpeaceprimary.co.uk](http://www.ourladyqueenofpeaceprimary.co.uk)

Nursery at School: Yes

Age range: 4-11

**Admission Number 2026: 30**

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

A supplementary faith information form (available from the school) must be completed for admission requests for this school.

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, to allocate places.

- 1) Looked after children and all previously looked after children. This includes children who appear to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted. \*
- 2) Baptised Catholic children who have a sibling\* in the school at the time of admission.
- 3) Baptised Catholic children resident in the parish of St Josephine Bakhita (the part of the parish formerly referred to as Our Lady Queen of Peace).
- 4) Other baptised Catholic children.
- 5) Other children who have a sibling\* in the school at the time of admission.
- 6) Children from other Christian denominations. Proof of Baptism in the form of a Baptismal Certificate or confirmation in writing that the applicant is a member of their faith community from an appropriate Minister of Religion is required.
- 7) Children of other faiths. An appropriate Faith Leader would need to confirm in writing that the applicant is a member of their faith group.
- 8) Other children.

**\*See glossary for full definition**

### Tie Breaker Clause

If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria above then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the Authority at the time of measurement). In the event of distances being the same for 2 or more applicants where this distance would be last place/s to be allocated, a random lottery will be carried out in a public place. All the names will be entered into a hat and the required number of names will be drawn out.

## Our Lady Queen of Peace Catholic Primary School

### Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	30	23
2024	30	19
2023	30	21

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

**Note:** For **2024** admissions 11 children were allocated places on national offer day. As ALL applicants could be offered a place at the school, the school was not required to consider each application under the individual admission criteria.

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Baptised Catholic Sibling	Baptised Catholic living in Parish	Other Baptised Catholic	Other Sibling	Other Christian	Other Faiths	Other Children (Distance)
2025	14	0	0	2	2	0	5	0	0	5
2023	10	0	0	1	0	1	4	0	0	4

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	N/A	
2024	N/A	13
2023	N/A	12

# Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Primary School

Establishment number: 343 3357

Kepler Street, Seaforth, Liverpool, L21 3TE

**Headteacher:** Mrs C Roberts

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 186

Voluntary Aided Catholic school

**Telephone:** 0151 928 3158

**Website:** [www.ourlady-starofthesea.org.uk](http://www.ourlady-starofthesea.org.uk)

Nursery at School: Yes

Age range: 4-11

**Admission Number 2026: 30**

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

A supplementary faith information form (available from the school) must be completed for admission requests for this school.

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, to allocate places.

- 1) Looked after children and all previously looked after children. This includes children who appear to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted. \*
- 2) Baptised Catholic children who have a sibling\* in the school at the time of admission.
- 3) Baptised Catholic children resident in the parish of St Oscar Romero, the part of the parish formerly referred to as Our Lady Star of the Sea.
- 4) Other baptised Catholic children.
- 5) Other children who have a sibling\* in the school at the time of admission.
- 6) Children from other Christian denominations. Proof of Baptism in the form of a Baptismal Certificate or confirmation in writing that the applicant is a member of their faith community from an appropriate Minister of Religion is required.
- 7) Children of other faiths. An appropriate Faith Leader would need to confirm in writing that the applicant is a member of their faith group.
- 8) Other children.

**\*See glossary for full definition**

### Tie Breaker Clause

If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria above then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the Authority at the time of measurement). In the event of distances being the same for 2 or more applicants where this distance would be last place/s to be allocated, a random lottery will be carried out in a public place. All the names will be entered into a hat and the required number of names will be drawn out.

## Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Primary School

### Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	30	43
2024	30	29
2023	30	38

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Baptised Catholic Sibling	Baptised Catholic living in Parish	Other Baptised Catholic	Other Sibling	Other Christian	Other Faiths	Other Children (Distance)
2025	27	1	1	1	3	0	9	0	0	12
2024	15	0	0	5	2	0	4	0	0	4
2023	26	0	1	1	2	0	10	0	0	12

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	N/A	26
2024	N/A	17
2023	N/A	29

## Redgate Primary School

Redgate, Formby, L37 4EW

**Headteacher:** Mrs S Webb

Community school

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2026): 232

**Admission Number 2026: 30**

Establishment number: 343 2086

**Telephone:** 01704 828140

**Website:** [www.redgateprimary.com](http://www.redgateprimary.com)

Age range: 4-11

Nursery at School: Yes

Admission Authority: **Local Authority**

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, by Sefton LA, to allocate places.

- 1) **Looked after children** and all **previously looked after children**, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to **have been in state care outside of England** and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order). \*
- 2) **Sibling** - Children who have a **brother or sister** living in the same house who already attends the primary school of their choice, provided they will still attend the school in September 2026. Sibling is defined in these arrangements as step-children, foster children and half-brothers and sisters, adopted brothers and sisters or children of the parent(s)/carer(s)'s partner, living in the same family unit at the same address. <sup>(1)</sup>
- 3) **Children of staff** where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the admission application for the school is made, and/or where the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. <sup>(1)</sup> Parent(s)/carer(s) **must** state the employee's name on their admission application form. Details will be validated by the school.
- 4) **Distance** - Children in order, of proximity of their home to school, measured as per the tie breaker clause shown below. <sup>(1)</sup>

**\*See glossary for full definition**

### Tie Breaker Clause

<sup>(1)</sup> If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the local authority at the time of measurement).

# Redgate Primary School

## Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

<b>Year</b>	<b>Number of places available</b>	<b>Total number of applications received by closing date</b>
2025	30	39
2024	30	52
2023	30	52

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

<b>Year</b>	<b>Total places allocated</b>	<b>EHCP</b>	<b>Looked After children</b>	<b>Sibling</b>	<b>Children of Staff</b>	<b>Distance</b>	<b>If oversubscribed furthest distance (miles)</b>
2025	23	0	0	11	0	12	N/A
2024	30	1	0	12	2	15	1.059
2023	30	0	0	6	0	24	3.247

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

<b>Year</b>	<b>Appeals Number allowed / number heard</b>	<b>Final number of places allocated</b>
2025	N/A	22
2024	N/A	30
2023	N/A	30

## Rimrose Hope CE Primary School

Sandy Road, Seaforth, Liverpool, L21 1AD

**Headteacher:** Mr L Crilly

Voluntary Controlled Church of England school

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 303

**Admission Number 2026: 45**

Establishment number: 343 3385

**Telephone:** 0151 288 6508

**Website:** [www.rimrosehope.co.uk](http://www.rimrosehope.co.uk)

Age range: 4-11

Nursery at School: Yes

Admission Authority: **Local Authority**

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, by Sefton LA, to allocate places.

- 1) **Looked after children** and all **previously looked after children**, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to **have been in state care outside of England** and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order). \*
- 2) **Sibling** - Children who have a **brother or sister** living in the same house who already attends the primary school of their choice, provided they will still attend the school in September 2026. Sibling is defined in these arrangements as step-children, foster children and half-brothers and sisters, adopted brothers and sisters or children of the parent(s)/carer(s)'s partner, living in the same family unit at the same address. <sup>(1)</sup>
- 3) **Children of staff** where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the admission application for the school is made, and/or where the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. <sup>(1)</sup> Parent(s)/carer(s) **must** state the employee's name on their admission application form. Details will be validated by the school.
- 4) **Distance** - Children in order, of proximity of their home to school, measured as per the tie breaker clause shown below. <sup>(1)</sup>

**\*See glossary for full definition**

### Tie Breaker Clause

<sup>(1)</sup> If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the local authority at the time of measurement).

## Rimrose Hope CE Primary School

Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	45	77
2024	45	81
2023	45	48

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Sibling	Children of Staff	Distance	If oversubscribed furthest distance (miles)
2025	45	0	2	20	0	23	1.916
2024	45	0	0	16	0	29	0.751
2023	34	0	2	10	0	22	N/A

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	2/2	47
2024	N/A	46
2023	N/A	38

## Shoreside Primary School

Westminster Drive, Southport, PR8 2QZ

**Executive Headteacher:** Miss S Knipe

**Website:** [www.shoresideprimary.co.uk](http://www.shoresideprimary.co.uk)

Age range: 4-11

Nursery at School: Yes

Establishment number: 343 2004

**Telephone:** 01704 576040

**Head of School:** Mr M Power

Academy school

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 180

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

## Admission Number 2026: 30

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan where the school is named in the plan, and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, by Sefton LA, to allocate places at the school, on behalf of the school's Governing Body (or Multi Academy Trust):

- 1) **Looked after children** and all **previously looked after children**, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to **have been in state care outside of England** and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order). \*
- 2) **Sibling** - Children who have a sibling at the school when they are due to start the school. The definition of sibling includes brother, sister, step-brother, step-sister, half-brother, half-sister, adopted brother, adopted sister, living in the same family unit at the same address. <sup>(1)</sup>
- 3) **Children of staff** will be considered where:
  - i) The parent has a permanent contract of employment, and they were recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage.
  - ii) The parent has a permanent contract of employment, and their employment contract has been in place for two or more years at the time of the closing date for application for admission.

They can work at any site with Rainbow Education Multi Academy Trust. If applicable, parent(s)/carer(s) must clearly identify the name of the school (or trust) employee on their admission application form. If an applicant fails to identify the name of the school employee on their application it is possible that their application may not be able to be considered under this criterion for this school. **Details will be validated by the school.**
- 4) **Distance** – All other applicants who have expressed a preference for the school <sup>(1)</sup>

**\*See glossary for full definition**

### Tie Breaker Clause

<sup>(1)</sup> If there are more applicants than there are places available, distance from the child's permanent home address to the main entrance of the primary school will be used to determine which children are admitted. In all cases, where distance from home to school is used to determine admission, those children living nearest to the school will be given preference. The distance will be measured by shortest walking distance between the child's permanent home address and the main entrance gate of the academy. Parents will be required to provide relevant proof of address e.g. council tax bill, utility bill, tenancy agreement or proof exchange of contracts if the property has recently been purchased. The Trust reserves the right to request any additional information that may be required in order to confirm proof of address. If two or more children live the same distance from the school, and there is only one place available, random allocation will be used to decide which child is admitted.

## Shoreside Primary School

### Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	30	71
2024	30	62
2023	30	59

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Sibling	Children of Staff	Distance	If oversubscribed furthest distance (miles)
2025	30	0	0	12	1	17	1.261
2024	30	0	0	7	N/A	23	2.565
2023	29	0	1	7	N/A	21	N/A

Please note that the admission criteria changed in 2025 to include children of staff.

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	0/3	30
2024	2/2	32
2023	N/A	29

## Springwell Park Primary School

Menai Road, Bootle, Liverpool, L20 6PG

**Headteacher:** Miss T Webley

Community school

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 415

**Admission Number 2026: 60**

Establishment number: 343 3378

**Telephone:** 0151 288 6054

**Website:** [www.springwellparkprimary.co.uk](http://www.springwellparkprimary.co.uk)

Age range: 4-11

Nursery at School: Yes

Admission Authority: **Local Authority**

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, by Sefton LA, to allocate places.

- 1) **Looked after children** and all **previously looked after children**, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to **have been in state care outside of England** and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order). \*
- 2) **Sibling** - Children who have a **brother or sister** living in the same house who already attends the primary school of their choice, provided they will still attend the school in September 2026. Sibling is defined in these arrangements as step-children, foster children and half-brothers and sisters, adopted brothers and sisters or children of the parent(s)/carer(s)'s partner, living in the same family unit at the same address. <sup>(1)</sup>
- 3) **Children of staff** where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the admission application for the school is made, and/or where the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. <sup>(1)</sup> Parent(s)/carer(s) **must** state the employee's name on their admission application form. Details will be validated by the school.
- 4) **Distance** - Children in order, of proximity of their home to school, measured as per the tie breaker clause shown below. <sup>(1)</sup>

**\*See glossary for full definition**

### Tie Breaker Clause

<sup>(1)</sup> If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the local authority at the time of measurement).

# Springwell Park Primary School

## Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	60	92
2024	60	109
2023	60	100

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Sibling	Children of Staff	Distance	If oversubscribed furthest distance (miles)
2025	42	0	0	16	0	26	N/A
2024	56	2	1	26	0	27	N/A
2023	60	0	3	23	0	34	1.281

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	N/A	43
2024	N/A	56
2023	0/2	60

## St Andrew's Maghull CE Primary School

Establishment number: 343 3020

Deyes Lane, Maghull, L31 6DE

**Telephone:** 0151 526 1378

**Headteacher:** Mr S Jones

**Website:** [www.standrewsmaghull.com](http://www.standrewsmaghull.com)

Church of England academy school

Age range: 4-11

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 208

Nursery at School: No

**Admission Number 2026: 30**

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

### Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan where the school is named in the plan, and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, by Sefton LA, to allocate places at the school, on behalf of the school's Governing Body (or Multi Academy Trust):

- 1) **Looked after children** and all **previously looked after children**, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to **have been in state care outside of England** and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order). \*
- 2) **Sibling** - Children who have a **brother or sister** living in the same house who already attends the primary school of their choice, provided they will still attend the school in September 2026. Sibling is defined in these arrangements as step-children, foster children and half-brothers and sisters, adopted brothers and sisters or children of the parent(s)/carer(s)'s partner, living in the same family unit at the same address. <sup>(1)</sup>
- 3) **Distance** - Children in order, of proximity of their home to school, measured as per the tie breaker clause shown below. <sup>(1)</sup>

**\*See glossary for full definition**

#### Tie Breaker Clause

<sup>(1)</sup> If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the local authority at the time of measurement).

# St Andrew's Maghull CE Primary School

## Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	30	83
2024	30	74
2023	30	87

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Sibling	Distance	If oversubscribed furthest distance (miles)
2025	30	1	0	14	15	1.190
2024	30	0	0	15	15	1.101
2023	30	0	0	9	21	1.160

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	0/2	30
2024	0/1	30
2023	0/1	30

## St Benedict's Catholic Primary School

Copy Lane, Bootle, Liverpool, L30 7PG

**Headteacher:** Mr M Philips

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 206

Voluntary Aided Catholic school

**Admission Number 2026: 30**

Establishment number: 343 3382

**Telephone:** 0151 526 6423

**Website:** [www.stbenedictsprimary.co.uk](http://www.stbenedictsprimary.co.uk)

Nursery at School: Yes

Age range: 4-11

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

A supplementary faith information form (available from the school) must be completed for admission requests for this school.

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, to allocate places.

- 1) Looked after children and all previously looked after children. This includes children who appear to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted. \*
- 2) Baptised Catholic children who have a sibling\* in the school at the time of admission.
- 3) Baptised Catholic children resident in the parish of St Benet.
- 4) Other baptised Catholic children.
- 5) Other children who have a sibling\* in the school at the time of admission.
- 6) Children from other Christian denominations. Proof of Baptism in the form of a Baptismal Certificate or confirmation in writing that the applicant is a member of their faith community from an appropriate Minister of Religion is required.
- 7) Children of other faiths. An appropriate Faith Leader would need to confirm in writing that the applicant is a member of their faith group.
- 8) Other children.

**\*See glossary for full definition**

### Tie Breaker Clause

If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria above then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the Authority at the time of measurement). In the event of distances being the same for 2 or more applicants where this distance would be last place/s to be allocated, a random lottery will be carried out in a public place. All the names will be entered into a hat and the required number of names will be drawn out.

# St Benedict's Catholic Primary School

## Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	30	57
2024	30	53
2023	30	67

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

**Note:** For 2025 admissions 30 children were allocated places on national offer day. The breakdown of pupils considered under each admission criterion has not been made available to the Local authority. Please contact the school directly for this information, if required

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Baptised Catholic Sibling	Baptised Catholic living in Parish	Other Baptised Catholic	Other Sibling	Other Christian	Other Faiths	Other Children (Distance)
2024	30	0	1	13	5	6	2	0	0	3
2023	30	0	1	18	7	4	0	0	0	0

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	0/1	30
2024	N/A	30
2023	N/A	30

# St Edmund's & St Thomas' Catholic Primary School

Establishment number: 343 3355

Oxford Road, Waterloo, Liverpool, L22 8QF

**Headteacher:** Mr K Loftus

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 251

Catholic academy school

**Telephone:** 0151 928 5586

**Website:** [www.stedmundsprimary.co.uk](http://www.stedmundsprimary.co.uk)

Nursery at School: Yes

Age range: 4-11

**Admission Number 2026: 45**

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

A supplementary faith information form (available from the school) must be completed for admission requests for this school.

## Admissions Criteria 2026

Children with an Education, Health and Care Plan that names the school must be admitted. Where this takes place before the allocation of places under these arrangements this will reduce the number of places available to other children. Where there are more applications for places than the number of places available, places will be offered according to the following order of priority:

- 1) Looked after children and previously looked after children\*.
  - i) Children who have a brother or sister at the school at the time of admission
  - ii) Other children
- 2) Catholic children who are resident in the parishes of St Oscar Romero (the former parishes of St Edmund of Canterbury, Waterloo, Our Lady Star of the Sea and St Thomas of Canterbury, Waterloo).
  - i) Children who have a brother or sister at the school at the time of admission
  - ii) Other children
- 3) Other Catholic children.
  - i) Children who have a brother or sister at the school at the time of admission
  - ii) Other children
- 4) Other children who have a brother or sister at the school at the time of admission.
- 5) Catechumens in the Catholic Church and members of an Eastern Christian Church not in full communion with Rome.
- 6) Children of other Christian Ecclesial Communities whose membership is evidenced by a minister of religion.
- 7) Children of other faiths whose membership is evidenced by a religious leader.
- 8) Any other children.

**\*See glossary for full definition**

### Tie Breaker Clause

Priority will be given to children living closest to the school determined by the shortest walking distance from the property address point to the nearest school gate, using the methodology of measurement adopted by Sefton Local Authority. Distance measurements are provided by the local authority. <sup>(1)</sup>. In the event of distances being the same for two or more children where this would determine the last place to be allocated, random allocation will be carried out and supervised by a person independent of the school. All the names will be entered into a hat and the required number of names will be drawn out.

<sup>(1)</sup>. Further information can be found in the 'Guide for Parents' published by Sefton Local Authority.

# St Edmund's & St Thomas' Catholic Primary School

## Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	45	66
2024	45	60
2023	45	69

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Baptised Catholic Sibling	Baptised Catholic living in Parish	Other Baptised Catholic	Other Sibling	Other Christian	Other Faiths	Other Children (Distance)
2025	32	0	0	11	6	3	6	0	0	6
2024	20	2	0	3	5	4	4	1	0	1
2023	26	0	0	8	7	1	7	0	0	3

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	N/A	29
2024	N/A	19
2023	N/A	25

## St Elizabeth's Catholic Primary School

Establishment number: 343 3362

Webster Street, Litherland, Liverpool, L21 8JH

**Telephone:** 0151 922 5752

**Headteacher:** Mr L Daniels

**Website:** [www.st-elizabethsprimary.co.uk](http://www.st-elizabethsprimary.co.uk)

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 379

Nursery at School: Yes

Voluntary Aided Catholic school

Age range: 4-11

**Admission Number 2026: 60**

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

A supplementary faith information form (available from the school) must be completed for admission requests for this school.

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, to allocate places.

- 1) Looked after children and all previously looked after children. This includes children who appear to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted. \*
- 2) Baptised Catholic children who have a sibling\* in the school at the time of admission.
- 3) Baptised Catholic children resident in the parish of St Josephine Bakhita (the part of the parish formerly referred to as St Elizabeth of Hungary).
- 4) Other baptised Catholic children.
- 5) Other children who have a sibling\* in the school at the time of admission.
- 6) Children from other Christian denominations. Proof of Baptism in the form of a Baptismal Certificate or confirmation in writing that the applicant is a member of their faith community from an appropriate Minister of Religion is required.
- 7) Children of other faiths. An appropriate Faith Leader would need to confirm in writing that the applicant is a member of their faith group.
- 8) Other children.

**\*See glossary for full definition**

### Tie Breaker Clause

If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria above then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the Authority at the time of measurement). In the event of distances being the same for 2 or more applicants where this distance would be last place/s to be allocated, a random lottery will be carried out in a public place. All the names will be entered into a hat and the required number of names will be drawn out.

# St Elizabeth's Catholic Primary School

## Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	60	59
2024	60	60
2023	60	74

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Baptised Catholic Sibling	Baptised Catholic living in Parish	Other Baptised Catholic	Other Sibling	Other Christian	Other Faiths	Other Children (Distance)
2025	36	0	0	8	1	2	10	0	0	15
2024	34	1	1	4	2	3	11	0	0	12
2023	49	0	0	8	4	2	19	0	0	16

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	N/A	40
2024	N/A	38
2023	N/A	59

## St George's Catholic Primary School

Dennett Close, Maghull, L31 5PD

**Headteacher:** Mr P Chapman

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 211

Voluntary Aided Catholic school

**Admission Number 2026: 30**

Establishment number: 343 3351

**Telephone:** 0151 288 6630

**Website:** [www.st-georgesprimary.com](http://www.st-georgesprimary.com)

Nursery at School: Yes

Age range: 4-11

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

A supplementary faith information form (available from the school) must be completed for admission requests for this school.

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, to allocate places.

- 1) Looked after children and all previously looked after children. This includes children who appear to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted. \*
- 2) Baptised Catholic children who have a sibling\* in the school at the time of admission.
- 3) Baptised Catholic children resident in the parish of St George's, Maghull.
- 4) Other baptised Catholic children.
- 5) Other children who have a sibling\* in the school at the time of admission.
- 6) Children from other Christian denominations. Proof of Baptism in the form of a Baptismal Certificate or confirmation in writing that the applicant is a member of their faith community from an appropriate Minister of Religion is required.
- 7) Children of other faiths. An appropriate Faith Leader would need to confirm in writing that the applicant is a member of their faith group.
- 8) Other children.

**\*See glossary for full definition**

### Tie Breaker Clause

If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria above then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the Authority at the time of measurement). In the event of distances being the same for 2 or more applicants where this distance would be last place/s to be allocated, a random lottery will be carried out in a public place. All the names will be entered into a hat and the required number of names will be drawn out.

# St George's Catholic Primary School

## Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	30	64
2024	30	68
2023	30	59

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Baptised Catholic Sibling	Baptised Catholic living in Parish	Other Baptised Catholic	Other Sibling	Other Christian	Other Faiths	Other Children (Distance)
2025	30	2	0	13	14	1	0	0	0	0
2024	30	0	0	13	8	1	1	0	0	7
2023	30	0	0	9	9	3	3	1	0	5

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	1/3	31
2024	1/1	30
2023	N/A	31

## St Gregory's Catholic Primary School

Sandy Lane, Lydiate, L31 2LB

**Headteacher:** Mr J Perree

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 210

Voluntary Aided Catholic school

**Admission Number 2026: 30**

Establishment number: 343 3367

**Telephone:** 0151 526 5856

**Website:** [www.stgregorysprimary.co.uk](http://www.stgregorysprimary.co.uk)

Nursery at School: Yes

Age range: 4-11

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

A supplementary faith information form (available from the school) must be completed for admission requests for this school.

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, to allocate places.

- 1) Looked after children and all previously looked after children. This includes children who appear to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted. \*
- 2) Baptised Catholic children who have a sibling\* in the school at the time of admission.
- 3) Baptised Catholic children resident in the parish of St Catherine of Alexandria (formerly referred to as Our Lady's, Lydiate and St Gregory the Great, Lydiate).
- 4) Other baptised Catholic children.
- 5) Other children who have a sibling\* in the school at the time of admission.
- 6) Children from other Christian denominations. Proof of Baptism in the form of a Baptismal Certificate or confirmation in writing that the applicant is a member of their faith community from an appropriate Minister of Religion is required.
- 7) Children of other faiths. An appropriate Faith Leader would need to confirm in writing that the applicant is a member of their faith group.
- 8) Other children.

**\*See glossary for full definition**

### Tie Breaker Clause

If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria above then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the Authority at the time of measurement). In the event of distances being the same for 2 or more applicants where this distance would be last place/s to be allocated, a random lottery will be carried out in a public place. All the names will be entered into a hat and the required number of names will be drawn out.

# St Gregory's Catholic Primary School

## Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	30	62
2024	30	75
2023	30	67

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Baptised Catholic Sibling	Baptised Catholic living in Parish	Other Baptised Catholic	Other Sibling	Other Christian	Other Faiths	Other Children (Distance)
2025	22	0	1	11	7	2	0	0	0	1
2024	30	0	1	17	12	0	0	0	0	0
2023	30	0	0	13	11	6	0	0	0	0

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	N/A	21
2024	0/3	31
2023	N/A	30

## St Jerome's Catholic Primary School

Greenloons Drive, Formby, L37 2LX

**Headteacher:** Mrs G Veevers

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 195

Voluntary Aided Catholic school

**Admission Number 2026: 30**

Establishment number: 343 3369

**Telephone:** 01704 833211

**Website:** [www.st-jeromes.co.uk](http://www.st-jeromes.co.uk)

Nursery at School: No

Age range: 4-11

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

A supplementary faith information form (available from the school) must be completed for admission requests for this school.

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, to allocate places.

- 1) Looked after children and all previously looked after children. This includes children who appear to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted. \*
- 2) Baptised Catholic children who have a sibling\* in the school at the time of admission.
- 3) Baptised Catholic children resident in the parish of Our Lady of Compassion (the part of the parish formerly referred to as St Jerome).
- 4) Other baptised Catholic children.
- 5) Other children who have a sibling\* in the school at the time of admission.
- 6) Children from other Christian denominations. Proof of Baptism in the form of a Baptismal Certificate or confirmation in writing that the applicant is a member of their faith community from an appropriate Minister of Religion is required.
- 7) Children of other faiths. An appropriate Faith Leader would need to confirm in writing that the applicant is a member of their faith group.
- 8) Other children.

**\*See glossary for full definition**

### Tie Breaker Clause

If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria above then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the Authority at the time of measurement). In the event of distances being the same for 2 or more applicants where this distance would be last place/s to be allocated, a random lottery will be carried out in a public place. All the names will be entered into a hat and the required number of names will be drawn out.

# St Jerome's Catholic Primary School

## Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	30	61
2024	30	58
2023	30	61

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Baptised Catholic Sibling	Baptised Catholic living in Parish	Other Baptised Catholic	Other Sibling	Other Christian	Other Faiths	Other Children (Distance)
2025	30	0	0	7	9	3	6	0	0	5
2024	26	0	0	11	5	9	1	0	0	0
2023	28	0	1	8	7	4	1	1	0	6

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	0/1	30
2024	N/A	27
2023	N/A	30

## St John Bosco Catholic Primary School

Green Lane, Maghull, L31 8BW

**Headteacher:** Mr D MacAreavy

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 210

Voluntary Aided Catholic school

**Admission Number 2026: 30**

Establishment number: 343 3375

**Telephone:** 0151 520 2628

**Website:** [www.stjohnboscoprimary.co.uk](http://www.stjohnboscoprimary.co.uk)

Nursery at School: No

Age range: 4-11

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

A supplementary faith information form (available from the school) must be completed for admission requests for this school.

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, to allocate places.

- 1) Looked after children and all previously looked after children. This includes children who appear to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted. \*
- 2) Baptised Catholic children who have a sibling\* in the school at the time of admission.
- 3) Baptised Catholic children resident in the parish of St Catherine of Alexandria (formerly referred to as Our Lady's, Lydiate and St Gregory the Great, Lydiate).
- 4) Other baptised Catholic children.
- 5) Other children who have a sibling\* in the school at the time of admission.
- 6) Children from other Christian denominations. Proof of Baptism in the form of a Baptismal Certificate or confirmation in writing that the applicant is a member of their faith community from an appropriate Minister of Religion is required.
- 7) Children of other faiths. An appropriate Faith Leader would need to confirm in writing that the applicant is a member of their faith group.
- 8) Other children.

**\*See glossary for full definition**

### Tie Breaker Clause

If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria above then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the Authority at the time of measurement). In the event of distances being the same for 2 or more applicants where this distance would be last place/s to be allocated, a random lottery will be carried out in a public place. All the names will be entered into a hat and the required number of names will be drawn out.

# St John Bosco Catholic Primary School

## Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	30	66
2024	30	92
2023	30	78

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Baptised Catholic Sibling	Baptised Catholic living in Parish	Other Baptised Catholic	Other Sibling	Other Christian	Other Faiths	Other Children (Distance)
2025	28	0	0	12	7	1	1	1	0	6
2024	30	0	0	12	18	0	0	0	0	0
2023	30	0	0	12	11	7	0	0	0	0

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	N/A	29
2024	0/2	30
2023	0/1	30

## St John's CE Primary School (Southport)

Establishment number: 343 3010

Rufford Road, Crossens, Southport, PR9 8JH

**Telephone:** 01704 227441

**Headteacher:** Mr P Thomson

**Website:** [www.stjohnsprimary.co.uk](http://www.stjohnsprimary.co.uk)

Voluntary Controlled Church of England school

Age range: 4-11

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 166

Nursery at School: No

**Admission Number 2026: 30**

Admission Authority: **Local Authority**

### Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, by Sefton LA, to allocate places.

- 1) **Looked after children** and all **previously looked after children**, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to **have been in state care outside of England** and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order). \*
- 2) **Sibling** - Children who have a **brother or sister** living in the same house who already attends the primary school of their choice, provided they will still attend the school in September 2026. Sibling is defined in these arrangements as step-children, foster children and half-brothers and sisters, adopted brothers and sisters or children of the parent(s)/carer(s)'s partner, living in the same family unit at the same address. <sup>(1)</sup>
- 3) **Children of staff** where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the admission application for the school is made, and/or where the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. <sup>(1)</sup> Parent(s)/carer(s) **must** state the employee's name on their admission application form. Details will be validated by the school.
- 4) **Distance** - Children in order, of proximity of their home to school, measured as per the tie breaker clause shown below. <sup>(1)</sup>

**\*See glossary for full definition**

#### Tie Breaker Clause

<sup>(1)</sup> If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the local authority at the time of measurement).

## St John's CE Primary School (Southport)

Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	30	45
2024	30	44
2023	30	51

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Sibling	Children of Staff	Distance	If oversubscribed furthest distance (miles)
2025	21	0	1	4	0	16	N/A
2024	16	1	0	6	0	9	N/A
2023	28	0	0	8	0	20	N/A

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	N/A	21
2024	N/A	17
2023	N/A	25

Denmark Street, Waterloo, Liverpool, L22 9RG

**Telephone:** 0151 928 5685**Headteacher:** Miss P Morgan**Website:** [www.stjohnscephprimarywaterloo.co.uk](http://www.stjohnscephprimarywaterloo.co.uk)

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 196

Nursery at School: No

Voluntary Aided Church of England school

Age range: 4-11

**Admission Number 2026: 30**Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

A supplementary faith information form (available from the school) must be completed for admission requests for this school.

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, to allocate places.

- 1) **A 'looked after child', and 'previously looked after children', \* and 'internationally adopted previously looked after children'.** \*As this is a legal requirement, it automatically appears as the first of the school's oversubscription criteria. \*See glossary for full definition.  
An internationally adopted previously looked after child is a child who appears (to the admission authority) to **have been in state care outside of England** and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted.
- 2) **Siblings** - siblings of pupils attending the school during the academic year to which the child would be admitted. 'Sibling' means a natural brother or sister, a half brother or sister, a legally adopted brother or sister or half-brother or sister, a step brother or sister, or other child living in the same household who in any of these cases, will be living with them at the same address at the date of their entry to the school.
- 3) **Faith based** - Regular attendance at public worship at Waterloo Anglican Churches: Christ Church, St Faiths or St Mary's Church of England Church. Attendance will be established by information provided on the Supplementary Information Form completed by a member of the clergy or other designated church officer. For the purposes of these admission arrangements 'regular' means attendance at least eight times in the twelve months immediately prior to the date of application.
- 4) **Faith based** - Attendance at public worship in any other Christian Church. For the purposes of these admission arrangements 'other Christian Church' means a church which is designated under the Ecumenical Relations Measure 2018, nationally by the Archbishops of Canterbury and York or locally by the diocesan bishop, or is a member of, Churches Together in England or affiliated to the Evangelical Alliance or a partner church of Affinity'.  
Attendance at public worship (or its specified equivalent for faith bodies which are not a Christian Church where that is provided for in the admission arrangements) will be established by information provided on the **Supplementary Information Form**, including verification by the relevant Minister/Faith Leader or their designated officer. For the purposes of these admission arrangements 'regular' means attendance at least eight times in the twelve months immediately prior to the date of application.
- 5) **All other applications.**

### Tie Breaker Clause

Proximity to the school. In the event that two or more children live at the same distance from the school (as can happen with families living in blocks of flats), random allocation, where supervised drawing of lots by an independent responsible person of good standing will be used to decide which child(ren) will be allocated the remaining place(s) in accordance with paragraphs 1.34 and 1.35 of the School Admissions Code.

## St John's CE Primary School (Waterloo)

Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	30	57
2024	30	58
2023	30	60

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day\*

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Sibling	Regular attendance at Waterloo Anglican Churches	Members of another Christian Church	Other Children (Distance)
2025	17	0	1	9	0	1	6
2024	26	0	1	12	0	1	12
2023	30	0	0	9	0	1	20

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	N/A	21
2024	N/A	27
2023	N/A	27

## St Luke's CE Primary School

Jubilee Road, Formby, L37 2HW

**Headteacher:** Ms K Allen

Voluntary Controlled Church of England school

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 383

**Admission Number 2026: 60**

Establishment number: 343 3024

**Telephone:** 01704 872692

**Website:** [www.stlukes-formby.co.uk](http://www.stlukes-formby.co.uk)

Age range: 4-11

Nursery at School: No

Admission Authority: **Local Authority**

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, by Sefton LA, to allocate places.

- 1) **Looked after children** and all **previously looked after children**, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to **have been in state care outside of England** and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order). \*
- 2) **Sibling** - Children who have a **brother or sister** living in the same house who already attends the primary school of their choice, provided they will still attend the school in September 2026. Sibling is defined in these arrangements as step-children, foster children and half-brothers and sisters, adopted brothers and sisters or children of the parent(s)/carer(s)'s partner, living in the same family unit at the same address. <sup>(1)</sup>
- 3) **Children of staff** where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the admission application for the school is made, and/or where the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. <sup>(1)</sup> Parent(s)/carer(s) **must** state the employee's name on their admission application form. Details will be validated by the school.
- 4) **Distance** - Children in order, of proximity of their home to school, measured as per the tie breaker clause shown below. <sup>(1)</sup>

**\*See glossary for full definition**

### Tie Breaker Clause

<sup>(1)</sup> If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the local authority at the time of measurement).

# St Luke's CE Primary School

## Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	60	90
2024	60	103
2023	60	98

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Sibling	Children of Staff	Distance	If oversubscribed furthest distance (miles)
2025	40	0	0	23	0	17	N/A
2024	53	0	0	31	0	22	N/A
2023	39	0	0	16	0	23	N/A

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	N/A	40
2024	N/A	58
2023	N/A	44

# St Luke's Halsall CE Primary School

Establishment number: 343 3343

Cooks Road, Crosby, Liverpool, L23 2TB

**Headteacher:** Mr R Miller

**Telephone:** 0151 924 5142

**Website:** [www.stlukeshalsall.co.uk](http://www.stlukeshalsall.co.uk)

Voluntary Aided Church of England school

Age range: 4-11

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 205

Nursery at School: Yes

## Admission Number 2026: 30

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

A supplementary faith information form (available from the school) must be completed for admission requests for this school.

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school and when there are more applications than there are places available, the Governors will admit pupils according to the following criteria which are set out in order of priority below:

- 1) **Children in public care and previously looked after children**, This includes any "looked after child", "previously looked after children" and any child who was previously looked after but immediately after being looked after became subject to an adoption, residence or special guardianship order. 'Looked after' means that the child was (a) in the care of the local authority or (b) being provided with accommodation by a local authority in the exercise of their social services functions. This criterion also includes looked after children and all previously looked after children who appear (to the admission authority) to **have been in state care outside of England** and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted.
- 2) Siblings – children who have a **brother or sister\*** attending school during their first term in the school.
- 3) Children whose parent/guardian/carer(s) are attached to St Luke's Church (\*\*).
- 4) Children whose parent/guardian/carer(s) are attached to another Christian Church (\*\*).  
**\*\*see explanatory notes below**
- 5) Children who currently attend St Lukes Halsall CE Nursery at the time of the application deadline.
- 6) Any other children who live closest to the school. This will be measured as nearest walking distance (in line with Sefton's current practice).

**\*See glossary for full definition**

### Please Note

- \*\*3)** Attached to St Luke's Church – children of parent/guardian/carer(s) who worship at St Luke's Church on at least a monthly basis, for the 12 month period before the application deadline for the child to start school (normally January). A completed Supplementary Information Form will be required from the appropriate minister of religion.
- \*\*4)** Attached to another Christian Church – (Christian church means any church which is designated under the Ecumenical Relations Measure nationally by the Archbishops of Canterbury and York or locally by the diocesan bishop, or is a member of churches Together in England, or the Evangelical Alliance, or a partner church of Affinity) - children of parent/guardian/carer(s) who worship at Church on a monthly basis, for the 12 month period before the application deadline for the child to start school (normally January). A completed Supplementary Information Form will be required from the appropriate minister of religion.

**Applications for children to be considered under categories 3 and 4 must be accompanied with a 'Supplementary Information Form'. This should be obtained from and returned to school directly.** In the event that during the period specified for attendance at worship the church has been closed for public worship and has not provided alternative premises for that worship, the requirements of these [admissions] arrangements in relation to attendance will only apply to the period when the church or alternative premises have been available for public worship".

### **Tie Breaker Clause**

Where the school reaches its planned admission limit from pupils within one of the categories listed above, those pupils to be admitted from within that category will be those whose permanent place of residence is closest to the school. This will be measured as nearest walking distance (in line with Sefton's current practice).

# St Luke's Halsall CE Primary School

## Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	30	86
2024	30	90
2023	30	90

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Sibling	At the heart of St Lukes Church	Attached to another Christian Church	Other Children (Distance)
2025	30	1	0	11	3	4	11
2024	26	0	1	11	6	4	4
2023	30	0	0	15	9	0	6

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	N/A	30
2024	N/A	25
2023	N/A	30

## St Mary's Catholic Primary School

Back Lane, Little Crosby, Liverpool, L23 4UA

**Headteacher:** Mrs K Scott

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 90

Catholic academy school

**Admission Number 2026: 15**

Establishment number: 343 3354

**Telephone:** 0151 924 4447

**Website:** [www.stmaryscatholicps.co.uk](http://www.stmaryscatholicps.co.uk)

Nursery at School: No

Age range: 4-11

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

A supplementary faith information form (available from the school) must be completed for admission requests for this school.

## Admissions Criteria 2026

Children with an Education, Health and Care Plan that names the school must be admitted. Where this takes place before the allocation of places under these arrangements this will reduce the number of places available to other children. Where there are more applications for places than the number of places available, places will be offered according to the following order of priority:

- 1) Looked after children and previously looked after children\*.
  - i) Children who have a brother or sister at the school at the time of admission
  - ii) Other children
- 2) Catholic children who are resident in the parishes of St Mary's, Little Crosby; Our Lady of Victories, Hightown and Holy Family, Ince Blundell.
  - i) Children who have a brother or sister at the school at the time of admission
  - ii) Other children
- 3) Other Catholic children.
  - i) Children who have a brother or sister at the school at the time of admission
  - ii) Other children
- 4) Other children who have a brother or sister at the school at the time of admission.
- 5) Catechumens in the Catholic Church and members of an Eastern Christian Church not in full communion with Rome.
- 6) Children of other Christian Ecclesial Communities whose membership is evidenced by a minister of religion.
- 7) Children of other faiths whose membership is evidenced by a religious leader.
- 8) Any other children.

**\*See glossary for full definition**

### Tie Breaker Clause

Priority will be given to children living closest to the school determined by the shortest walking distance from the property address point to the nearest school gate, using the methodology of measurement adopted by Sefton Local Authority. Distance measurements are provided by the local authority. <sup>(1)</sup>. In the event of distances being the same for two or more children where this would determine the last place to be allocated, random allocation will be carried out and supervised by a person independent of the school. All the names will be entered into a hat and the required number of names will be drawn out.

<sup>(1)</sup>. Further information can be found in the 'Guide for Parents' published by Sefton Local Authority.

# St Mary's Catholic Primary School

## Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	15	34
2024	15	41
2023	15	53

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Baptised Catholic Sibling	Baptised Catholic living in Parish	Other Baptised Catholic	Other Sibling	Other Christian	Other Faiths	Other Children (Distance)
2025	10	2	0	3	2	1	1	0	0	1
2024	9	0	0	1	3	4	0	1	0	0
2023	15	0	1	6	2	5	1	0	0	0

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	N/A	11
2024	N/A	10
2023	0/1	16*

\* Following national offer day, the Governing Body subsequently agreed to admit up to 16 pupils.

## St Monica's Catholic Primary School

Kelly Drive, Bootle, Liverpool, L20 9EB

**Headteacher:** Mr J Gouldbourne

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 420

Voluntary Aided Catholic school

**Admission Number 2026: 60**

Establishment number: 343 3313

**Telephone:** 0151 525 1245

**Website:** [www.stmonicascatholicprimaryschool.co.uk](http://www.stmonicascatholicprimaryschool.co.uk)

Nursery at School: Yes

Age range: 4-11

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

A supplementary faith information form (available from the school) must be completed for admission requests for this school.

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, to allocate places.

- 1) Looked after children and all previously looked after children. This includes children who appear to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted. \*
- 2) Baptised Catholic children who have a sibling\* in the school at the time of admission.
- 3) Baptised Catholic children resident in the parish of St Monica & St Richard (the part of the parish formerly referred to as St Monica).
- 4) Other baptised Catholic children.
- 5) Other children who have a sibling\* in the school at the time of admission.
- 6) Children from other Christian denominations. Proof of Baptism in the form of a Baptismal Certificate or confirmation in writing that the applicant is a member of their faith community from an appropriate Minister of Religion is required.
- 7) Children of other faiths. An appropriate Faith Leader would need to confirm in writing that the applicant is a member of their faith group.
- 8) Other children.

**\*See glossary for full definition**

### Tie Breaker Clause

If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria above then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the Authority at the time of measurement). In the event of distances being the same for 2 or more applicants where this distance would be last place/s to be allocated, a random lottery will be carried out in a public place. All the names will be entered into a hat and the required number of names will be drawn out.

# St Monica's Catholic Primary School

Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	60	129
2024	60	106
2023	60	136

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Baptised Catholic Sibling	Baptised Catholic living in Parish	Other Baptised Catholic	Other Sibling	Other Christian	Other Faiths	Other Children (Distance)
2025	60	1	1	21	15	13	9	0	0	0
2024	52	0	0	12	15	3	10	2	1	9
2023	60	0	1	20	17	10	9	0	2	1

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	0/4	60
2024	N/A	58
2023	1/5	60

## St Nicholas' CE Primary School

Nicholas Road, Blundellsands, Liverpool, L23 6TS

**Headteacher:** Mrs R Woods

Voluntary Aided Church of England school

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 208

**Admission Number 2026: 30**

Establishment number: 343 3345

**Telephone:** 0151 924 1204

**Website:** [www.stnicholasprimary.org](http://www.stnicholasprimary.org)

Age range: 4-11

Nursery at School: No

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

A supplementary faith information form (available from the school) must be completed for admission requests for this school.

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, to allocate places.

- 1) A 'looked after child' or a child who was previously looked after, including children who appear (to the admission authority) to have been in state care outside of England, and ceased to be so as a result of being adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order).<sup>1</sup>
- 2) Siblings: Children who have a brother or sister (including adopted, foster, half or step who live at the same address) attending the school in the September the child will start school.
- 3) St Nicholas Church: Children whose parents or guardians attend St Nicholas Church, Blundellsands, at least once a month for the 12 month period before the application deadline for the child to start school (normally January). Confirmation of attendance from the clergy will be required via supplementary information form.
- 4) Another Christian Church (part of Churches Together in England and Wales or the Evangelical Alliance): Children whose parents or guardians are members of another Christian Church and who attend Church at least once a month for the 12 month period before the application deadline for the child to start school (normally January). Confirmation of attendance from the clergy will be required via supplementary information form.
- 5) All other applications.

### Tie Breaker Clause

Proximity of home to school (safe walking distance from the property's address point to the main entrance of the school as calculated by the Local Authority).

NB each criterion will be applied in turn. If more pupils apply under each criterion than spaces, the tie breaker will apply.

<sup>1</sup> A looked after child is a child who is in the care of a local authority in England or is being provided with accommodation by a local authority in England in the exercise of their social services functions.

## St Nicholas' CE Primary School

Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	30	100
2024	30	89
2023	30	102

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Sibling	Attend St Nicholas Church	Members of another Christian Church	Other Children (Distance)
2025	30	0	0	15	5	2	8
2024	30	1	1	7	7	3	11
2023	30	0	1	10	7	1	11

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	N/A	30
2024	N/A	30
2023	N/A	30

## St Oswald's CE Primary School

Ronald Ross Avenue, Bootle, Liverpool, L30 5RH

**Headteacher:** Miss E Murtagh

Voluntary Aided Church of England school

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 203

**Admission Number 2026: 30**

Establishment number: 343 3303

**Telephone:** 0151 525 4580

**Website:** [www.stoswaldsnetherton.com](http://www.stoswaldsnetherton.com)

Age range: 4-11

Nursery at School: Yes

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

A supplementary faith information form (available from the school) must be completed for admission requests for this school.

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, to allocate places.

- 1) Children in Public Care – Looked After Children, including Looked After children adopted from state care outside of England. \*
- 2) Children who have a brother or sister at the school at the time they are due to start in September. This includes full, half or step brothers and sisters, adopted and foster brothers and sisters who are living at the same address and who are part of the same family unit.
- 3) Children with a parent/guardian/carer who regularly\*\* worships at St Oswald's Church. The application must be supported by a letter from the Parish Vicar.
- 4) Children with a parent/guardian/carer who regularly\*\* worships at another church in Churches together in Britain and Ireland.
- 5) Children who live closest to St Oswald's Church of England Primary school. (This is based on the shortest practicable walking route.)

**\*See glossary for full definition**

\*\* Regularly is defined as a minimum of one service per month and a reference will be taken up from the Minister/Vicar of the relevant church. A reference form to be completed by the Minister/Vicar (please contact the school for this form).

In the event that during the period specified for attendance at worship the church has been closed for public worship and has not provided alternative premises for that worship, the requirements of these [admissions] arrangements in relation to attendance will only apply to the period when the church or alternative premises have been available for public worship.

### Tie Breaker Clause

If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria above then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the Authority at the time of measurement).

# St Oswald's CE Primary School

## Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	30	54
2024	30	61
2023	30	62

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Sibling	Regular worship at St Oswalds Church	Regular worship at another Church	Other Children (Distance)
2025	30	0	0	14	1	0	15
2024	30	0	2	14	1	2	11
2023	30	0	0	14	2	4	10

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	N/A	30
2024	N/A	31
2023	0/1	30

## St Patrick's Catholic Primary School

Radnor Drive, Southport, PR9 9RR

**Headteacher:** Mrs R Halsall

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 332

Voluntary Aided Catholic school

**Admission Number 2026: 50**

Establishment number: 343 3339

**Telephone:** 01704 225906

**Website:** [www.stpatrickschurchtown.com](http://www.stpatrickschurchtown.com)

Nursery at School: No

Age range: 4-11

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

A supplementary faith information form (available from the school) must be completed for admission requests for this school.

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, to allocate places.

- 1) Looked after children and all previously looked after children. This includes children who appear to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted. \*
- 2) Baptised Catholic children who have a sibling\* in the school at the time of admission.
- 3) Baptised Catholic children resident in the parishes of St Patrick and St Marie on the Sands, Southport.
- 4) Other baptised Catholic children.
- 5) Other children who have a sibling\* in the school at the time of admission.
- 6) Children from other Christian denominations. Proof of Baptism in the form of a Baptismal Certificate or confirmation in writing that the applicant is a member of their faith community from an appropriate Minister of Religion is required.
- 7) Children of other faiths. An appropriate Faith Leader would need to confirm in writing that the applicant is a member of their faith group.
- 8) Other children.

**\*See glossary for full definition**

### Tie Breaker Clause

If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria above then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the Authority at the time of measurement). In the event of distances being the same for 2 or more applicants where this distance would be last place/s to be allocated, a random lottery will be carried out in a public place. All the names will be entered into a hat and the required number of names will be drawn out.

# St Patrick's Catholic Primary School

Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	50	75
2024	50	88
2023	50	108

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Baptised Catholic Sibling	Baptised Catholic living in Parish	Other Baptised Catholic	Other Sibling	Other Christian	Other Faiths	Other Children (Distance)
2025	38	0	0	12	6	0	9	6	0	5
2024	45	0	0	7	10	5	8	4	0	11
2023	50	0	1	4	7	3	20	2	0	13

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	N/A	37
2024	N/A	43
2023	N/A	50

## St Philip's CE Primary School (Litherland)

Establishment number: 343 3025

Church Road, Litherland, Liverpool, L21 8NZ

**Headteacher:** Mrs J Drane

Voluntary Controlled Church of England school

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 200

**Admission Number 2026: 30**

**Telephone:** 0151 928 1483

**Website:** [www.stphilipsprimaryschool-litherland.co.uk](http://www.stphilipsprimaryschool-litherland.co.uk)

Age range: 4-11

Nursery at School: No

Admission Authority: **Local Authority**

### Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, by Sefton LA, to allocate places.

- 1) **Looked after children** and all **previously looked after children**, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to **have been in state care outside of England** and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order). \*
- 2) **Sibling** - Children who have a **brother or sister** living in the same house who already attends the primary school of their choice, provided they will still attend the school in September 2026. Sibling is defined in these arrangements as step-children, foster children and half-brothers and sisters, adopted brothers and sisters or children of the parent(s)/carer(s)'s partner, living in the same family unit at the same address. <sup>(1)</sup>
- 3) **Children of staff** where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the admission application for the school is made, and/or where the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. <sup>(1)</sup> Parent(s)/carer(s) **must** state the employee's name on their admission application form. Details will be validated by the school.
- 4) **Distance** - Children in order, of proximity of their home to school, measured as per the tie breaker clause shown below. <sup>(1)</sup>

**\*See glossary for full definition**

#### **Tie Breaker Clause**

<sup>(1)</sup> If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the local authority at the time of measurement).

## St Philip's CE Primary School (Litherland)

### Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	30	65
2024	30	56
2023	30	63

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Sibling	Children of Staff	Distance	If oversubscribed furthest distance (miles)
2025	25	0	0	7	0	18	N/A
2024	29	0	0	12	0	17	N/A
2023	30	0	2	11	0	17	1.355

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	N/A	29
2024	N/A	25
2023	N/A	30

## St Philip's CE Primary School (Southport) Establishment number: 343 3305

Hampton Road, Southport, PR8 6SS

**Headteacher:** Mrs S Edward

Voluntary Aided Church of England school

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 209

**Telephone:** 01704 535737

**Website:** [www.stphilipssouthport.com](http://www.stphilipssouthport.com)

Age range: 4-11

Nursery at School: Yes

**Admission Number 2026: 30**

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

### Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, to allocate places.

- 1) Looked After, and children who were previously Looked After children (in state care) but immediately after being looked after became subject to adoption, child arrangement order or Special Guardianship or children who appear to the Admissions Authority of the school to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care because they were adopted.  
\*
- 2) Children who have a brother or sister\* attending school and who will still be there at the start of the new academic year.
- 3) Children who regularly attend worship at St Philip's and St Paul with Wesley with an immediate family member. \*\*
- 4) Children who regularly attend worship with an immediate family member at another Anglican or Methodist Church. \*\*
- 5) Children who attend worship regularly with an immediate family member at some other Christian Church which is part of Churches Together in England and Wales. \*\*
- 6) Other children decided by distance.

**Tie Breaker Clause** Distance from home to school. Distance measurements are provided by the Local authority.

#### \*See glossary for full definition

\*\*In the event that during the period specified for attendance at worship the church has been closed for public worship and has not provided alternative premises for that worship, the requirements of these [admissions] arrangements in relation to attendance will only apply to the period when the church [or in relation to those of other faiths, relevant place of worship] or alternative premises have been available for public worship.

If you are applying under category 1 the admissions authority of St Philip's Primary school will check and where necessary request evidence from parents to demonstrate the child is eligible for priority under oversubscription category 1.

If you are applying under categories 3, 4 or 5 you will **also** be required to complete our Ministers Reference form. Forms must be **requested** from the school office and must be returned to school by 15<sup>th</sup> January 2026.

**Regular Worship** is defined as one parent or an immediate family member attending worship at least twice a month for the six month period 1<sup>st</sup> January to 30<sup>th</sup> June 2024. **A Ministers reference form must be completed and submitted to the school office by 15<sup>th</sup> January 2026.**

**Definition of immediate family member** as defined by the Governing Body of St Philips Primary School is the Legal Parents, Carers or Guardians, Maternal or Paternal Grandparents, Aunt, Uncle, or older sibling who is 18 or older.

## St Philip's CE Primary School (Southport)

Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	30	59
2024	30	77
2023	30	81

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Sibling	Regular worship at St Philips & St Paul with Wesley	Regular worship at another Anglican or Methodist Church	Regular worship at another Christian Church	Other Children (Distance)
2025	29	1	0	17	2	1	0	8
2024	30	0	0	7	0	2	0	21
2023	30	0	3	8	2	1	0	16

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	N/A	30
2024	N/A	30
2023	N/A	30

## **St Robert Bellarmine Catholic Primary School** Establishment number: 343 3316

Harris Drive, Bootle, Liverpool, L20 6ED

**Telephone:** 0151 922 1216

**Headteacher:** Mrs M O'Neill Dowell

**Website:** [www.strobertbellarmine.co.uk](http://www.strobertbellarmine.co.uk)

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 210

Nursery at School: Yes

Voluntary Aided Catholic school

Age range: 4-11

**Admission Number 2026: 30**

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

A supplementary faith information form (available from the school) must be completed for admission requests for this school.

### **Admissions Criteria 2026**

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, to allocate places.

- 1) Looked after children and all previously looked after children. This includes children who appear to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted. \*
- 2) Baptised Catholic children who have a sibling\* in the school at the time of admission.
- 3) Baptised Catholic children resident in the parish of St Josephine Bakhita (the part of the parish formerly referred to as St Robert Bellarmine).
- 4) Other baptised Catholic children.
- 5) Other children who have a sibling\* in the school at the time of admission.
- 6) Children from other Christian denominations. Proof of Baptism in the form of a Baptismal Certificate or confirmation in writing that the applicant is a member of their faith community from an appropriate Minister of Religion is required.
- 7) Children of other faiths. An appropriate Faith Leader would need to confirm in writing that the applicant is a member of their faith group.
- 8) Other children.

**\*See glossary for full definition**

#### **Tie Breaker Clause**

If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria above then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the Authority at the time of measurement). In the event of distances being the same for 2 or more applicants where this distance would be last place/s to be allocated, a random lottery will be carried out in a public place. All the names will be entered into a hat and the required number of names will be drawn out.

# St Robert Bellarmine Catholic Primary School

Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	30	124
2024	30	97
2023	30	137

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Baptised Catholic Sibling	Baptised Catholic living in Parish	Other Baptised Catholic	Other Sibling	Other Christian	Other Faiths	Other Children (Distance)
2025	30	0	1	10	16	3	0	0	0	0
2024	30	0	1	9	4	16	0	0	0	0
2023	30	0	2	13	9	6	0	0	0	0

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	0/9	30
2024	N/A	30
2023	1/6	30

## St Thomas CE Primary School

Kenyons Lane, Lydiate, L31 0BP

**Executive Headteacher:** Mr M Ward

**Website:** [www.stthomaslydiate.co.uk](http://www.stthomaslydiate.co.uk)

Age range: 4-11

Nursery at school: Yes

Establishment number: 343 3341

**Telephone:** 0151 531 9955

**Head of School:** Mrs E Alty

Church of England academy school

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 209

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

### Admission Number 2026: 30

A supplementary faith information form (available from the school) must be completed for admission requests for this school.

### Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, to allocate places.

- 1) **Children in Public Care** – Looked after children and all previously looked after children, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted (or became subject to child arrangements order or special guardianship order).
- 2) **Siblings** - Children who have a sibling, including half-brother/sister, foster brother/sister, children living at the same address and considered to be part of the same family unit currently attending the school and who will still be there at the start of the academic year in which the child takes up his/her place.
- 3) **Faith Criteria** - Children whose parent(s)\* attend public worship at the United Benefice of St Cuthbert, Halsall and St Thomas', Lydiate and Downholland once a week over a period of the last twelve months prior to the closing date for applications with the relevant local authority.
- 4) **Faith Criteria** - Children whose parent(s)\* attend public worship at a Christian church\*\* other than the United Benefice St Cuthbert and Thomas Halsall, Lydiate and Downholland once a week over a period of the last twelve months prior to the closing date for applications with the relevant local authority.
- 5) **Faith Criteria** - Children whose parent(s)\* attend public worship at the United Benefice of St Cuthbert, Halsall and St Thomas', Lydiate and Downholland twice a month over a period of the last twelve months prior to the closing date for applications with the relevant local authority.
- 6) **Faith Criteria** - Children whose parent(s)\* attend public worship at the United Benefice of St Cuthbert, Halsall and St Thomas', Lydiate and Downholland once a month over a period of the last twelve months prior to the closing date for applications with the relevant local authority.
- 7) **Faith Criteria** - Children whose parent(s)\* attend public worship at a Christian church\*\* other than the United Benefice St Cuthbert and Thomas, Halsall, Lydiate and Downholland twice a month over a period of the last twelve months prior to the closing date for applications with the relevant local authority.

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## St Thomas CE Primary School - Admissions Criteria 2026 (continued)

- 8) **Faith Criteria** - Children whose parent(s)\* attend public worship at a Christian church\*\* other than the United Benefice St Cuthbert and Thomas, Halsall, Lydiate and Downholland once a month over a period of the last twelve months prior to the closing date for applications with the relevant local authority.

**\*Parent(s) refers to those with parental responsibility.**

**\*\*Chrisitan Church** – Christian church means any church which is designated under the Ecumenical Relations Measure nationally by the Archbishops of Canterbury and York or locally by the Diocesan Bishop, or is a member of, Churches Together in England or the Evangelical Alliance or a partner church of Affinity’.

- 9) **Children of St Thomas’ Nursery** – Children who attend St Thomas’ nursery for at least one term before their admission to reception.
- 10) **Staff children** – Children of St Thomas’ staff where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the application for admission to the school is made and/or the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post at the school for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage.

### 11) Other Children

**Tie Breaker Clause:** In the event of over subscription in the number of applications made under any of the categories above, then the admissions committee will offer places first to children living nearest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child’s home to the nearest school gate using the methodology of measurement adopted by the Local Authority.

### **Note: St Thomas’ Supplementary Faith Form**

**Evidence:** In the event that the school is oversubscribed, and Church attendance is the criterion to be applied the St Thomas’ supplementary faith form from their vicar, priest, minister or pastor will confirm which criterion the child falls into.

For all faith categories, parents will be required to make an appointment with their vicar, priest, minister or pastor confirming which category of worshipper they belong to. Evidence for this will be submitted on St Thomas’ supplementary faith reference form.

# St Thomas CE Primary School

## Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	30	69
2024	30	78
2023	30	78

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Sibling	Faith criterion (3)	Faith criterion (4)	Faith criterion (5)	Faith criterion (6)	Faith criterion (7)	Faith criterion (8)	Other Children (Distance)
2025	30	0	1	17	8	2	2	0	0	0	0
2024	30	0	0	12	14	3	1	0	0	0	0
2023	30	0	1	15	5	3	2	3	0	0	1

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	0/3	30
2024	1/2	31
2023	N/A	30

## St William of York Catholic Primary School

St William Road, Thornton, Liverpool, L23 9XH

**Headteacher:** Mr M Murphy

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 203

Voluntary Aided Catholic school

Establishment number: 343 3364

**Telephone:** 0151 924 7280

**Website:** [www.stwilliamofyork.co.uk](http://www.stwilliamofyork.co.uk)

Nursery at School: Yes

Age range: 4-11

### Admission Number 2026: 30

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

A supplementary faith information form (available from the school) must be completed for admission requests for this school.

### Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, to allocate places.

- 1) Looked after children and all previously looked after children. This includes children who appear to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted. \*
- 2) Baptised Catholic children who have a sibling\* in the school at the time of admission.
- 3) Baptised Catholic children resident in the parish of St William of York.
- 4) Other baptised Catholic children.
- 5) Other children who have a sibling\* in the school at the time of admission.
- 6) Children from other Christian denominations. Proof of Baptism in the form of a Baptismal Certificate or confirmation in writing that the applicant is a member of their faith community from an appropriate Minister of Religion is required.
- 7) Children of other faiths. An appropriate Faith Leader would need to confirm in writing that the applicant is a member of their faith group.
- 8) Other children.

**\*See glossary for full definition**

#### Tie Breaker Clause

If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria above then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the Authority at the time of measurement). In the event of distances being the same for 2 or more applicants where this distance would be last place/s to be allocated, a random lottery will be carried out in a public place. All the names will be entered into a hat and the required number of names will be drawn out.

# St William of York Catholic Primary School

Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	30	69
2024	30	40
2023	30	31

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Baptised Catholic Sibling	Baptised Catholic living in Parish	Other Baptised Catholic	Other Sibling	Other Christian	Other Faiths	Other Children (Distance)
2025	30	0	0	9	3	1	15	0	0	2
2024	28	0	1	6	3	3	5	0	0	10
2023	29	0	0	1	0	2	8	0	0	18

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	N/A	30
2024	N/A	27
2023	N/A	27

## Summerhill Primary School

Poverty Lane, Maghull, L31 3DT

**Headteacher:** Mrs F Govan

Community school

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 211

**Admission Number 2026: 30**

Establishment number: 343 2076

**Telephone:** 0151 526 1343

**Website:** [www.summerhillprimary.com](http://www.summerhillprimary.com)

Age range: 4-11

Nursery at School: No

Admission Authority: **Local Authority**

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, by Sefton LA, to allocate places.

- 1) **Looked after children** and all **previously looked after children**, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to **have been in state care outside of England** and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order). \*
- 2) **Sibling** - Children who have a **brother or sister** living in the same house who already attends the primary school of their choice, provided they will still attend the school in September 2026. Sibling is defined in these arrangements as step-children, foster children and half-brothers and sisters, adopted brothers and sisters or children of the parent(s)/carer(s)'s partner, living in the same family unit at the same address. <sup>(1)</sup>
- 3) **Children of staff** where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the admission application for the school is made, and/or where the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. <sup>(1)</sup> Parent(s)/carer(s) **must** state the employee's name on their admission application form. Details will be validated by the school.
- 4) **Distance** - Children in order, of proximity of their home to school, measured as per the tie breaker clause shown below. <sup>(1)</sup>

**\*See glossary for full definition**

### Tie Breaker Clause

<sup>(1)</sup> If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the local authority at the time of measurement).

## Summerhill Primary School

### Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	30	120
2024	30	107
2023	30	132

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Sibling	Children of Staff	Distance	If oversubscribed furthest distance (miles)
2025	30	0	0	9	1	20	
2024	30	0	0	17	0	13	2.023
2023	30	0	0	18	1	11	1.205

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	N/A	30
2024	N/A	30
2023	0/4	30

## Thomas Gray Primary School

Chesnut Grove, Bootle, Liverpool, L20 4LX

**Headteacher:** Mrs R Rimmer

Academy school

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 230

**Admission Number 2026: 30**

Establishment number: 343 3379

**Telephone:** 0151 288 6530

**Website:** [www.thomasgrayprimary.co.uk](http://www.thomasgrayprimary.co.uk)

Age range: 4-11

Nursery at School: Yes

Admission Authority: **Governing Body \***

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan where the school is named in the plan, and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, by Sefton LA, to allocate places at the school, on behalf of the school's Governing Body (or Multi Academy Trust):

- 1) **Looked after children** and all **previously looked after children**, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to **have been in state care outside of England** and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order). \*
- 2) **Sibling** - Children who have a **brother or sister** living in the same house who already attends the primary school of their choice, provided they will still attend the school in September 2026. Sibling is defined in these arrangements as step-children, foster children and half-brothers and sisters, adopted brothers and sisters or children of the parent(s)/carer(s)'s partner, living in the same family unit at the same address. <sup>(1)</sup>
- 3) **Children of staff** where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the admission application for the school is made, and/or where the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. <sup>(1)</sup> Parent(s)/carer(s) **must** state the employee's name on their admission application form. Details will be validated by the school.
- 4) **Distance** - Children in order, of proximity of their home to school, measured as per the tie breaker clause shown below. <sup>(1)</sup>

**\*See glossary for full definition**

### Tie Breaker Clause

<sup>(1)</sup> If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the local authority at the time of measurement).

## Thomas Gray Primary School

Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	30	79
2024	30	69
2023	30	60

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Sibling	Children of Staff	Distance	If oversubscribed furthest distance (miles)
2025	30	3	0	9	0	18	
2024	30	0	3	11	0	16	1.167
2023	30	0	1	13	0	16	0.488

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	0/1	30
2024	1/1	31
2023	0/1	30

## Trinity St Peter's CE Primary School

Establishment number: 343 3380

Paradise Lane, Formby, L37 7EJ

**Telephone:** 01704 876391

**Headteacher:** Mrs D Pringle

**Website:** [www.trinitystpeters.org](http://www.trinitystpeters.org)

Church of England academy school

Age range: 4-11

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 215

Nursery at School: Yes

**Admission Number 2026: 30**

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

A supplementary faith information form (available from the school) must be completed for admission requests for this school

### Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, to allocate places.

- 1) Looked after children and all previously looked after children, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order). \*
- 2) Children who have a sibling\* currently attending the school and who will still be there at the start of the new academic year.
- 3) Children who with parents/grandparents worship regularly\*\* at either St Peter's or Holy Trinity Churches. **The application must be supported by a supplementary form signed by the Vicar.**
- 4) Children who with parents/grandparents worship regularly\*\* at another Christian Church. \*\*\*  
**The application must be supported by a supplementary form signed by the Vicar/ Minister/Parish Priest. \*\*\***
- 5) Children of staff – Where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the admission application for the school is made, and/or where the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. Parents/carers **must** state the name of the employee on their admission application form. Details will be validated by the school.
- 6) Children who live closest to the main entrance of the school as measured via the safest walking route.

**\*See glossary for full definition**

**Tie Breaker Clause** Distance from home to school. Distance measurements are provided by the Local Authority.

In the event of any **over-subscription** in the number of applications made under criteria 2, 3, 4 and 5 above, then the admissions committee will offer places in accord with the criterion that follows e.g. If Criterion 2 is oversubscribed then places will be offered to those also fulfilling criterion 3, then 4 and ultimately to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home to the nearest school gate. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the Authority at the time of measurement).

#### Notes:

**\*\* Regular attendance** - is deemed to be AT LEAST MONTHLY for the past 12 months (prior to the published date for the closure of the application process, which is normally around the middle of January). **In the event that during the period specified for attendance at worship the church has been closed for public worship and has not provided alternative premises for that worship, the requirements of these [admissions] arrangements in relation to attendance will only apply to the period when the church or alternative premises have been available for public worship.** Parents/grandparents include step parents/grandparents and carers. Attendance at WOW or church in the school at Redgate no longer count towards meeting this criteria.

**\*\*\* Christian church** means any church which is designated under the Ecumenical Relations Measure nationally by the Archbishops of Canterbury and York or locally by the diocesan bishop, or is a member of, Churches Together in England or the Evangelical Alliance or a partner church of Affinity'.

## Trinity St Peter's CE Primary School

Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	30	65
2024	30	79
2023	30	68

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Sibling	Regular worship at St Peter's or Holy Trinity Churches	Regular worship at another Christian Church	Children of staff	Distance
2025	30	0	0	9	8	2	0	11
2024	30	2	0	14	11	3	0	0
2023	30	0	3	9	8	0	0	10

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	N/A	30
2024	0/1	30
2023	1/1	30

## **Ursuline Catholic Primary School**

Nicholas Road, Blundellsands, Liverpool, L23 6TT

**Headteacher:** Mrs N Robinson

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 414

Voluntary Aided Catholic school

**Admission Number 2026: 60**

Establishment number: 343 3368

**Telephone:** 0151 924 1704

**Website:** [www.ursulineprimary.co.uk](http://www.ursulineprimary.co.uk)

Nursery at School: No

Age range: 4-11

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

A supplementary faith information form (available from the school) must be completed for admission requests for this school.

## **Admissions Criteria 2026**

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, to allocate places.

- 1) Looked after children and all previously looked after children. This includes children who appear to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted. \*
- 2) Baptised Catholic children who have a sibling\* in the school at the time of admission.
- 3) Baptised Catholic children resident in the parishes of St Joseph and St Helen.
- 4) Other baptised Catholic children.
- 5) Other children who have a sibling\* in the school at the time of admission.
- 6) Children from other Christian denominations. Proof of Baptism in the form of a Baptismal Certificate or Confirmation in writing that the applicant is a member of their faith community from an appropriate Minister of Religion is required.
- 7) Children of other faiths. An appropriate Faith Leader would need to confirm in writing that the applicant is a member of their faith group.
- 8) Other children.

**\*See glossary for full definition**

### **Tie Breaker Clause**

If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria above then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the Authority at the time of measurement). In the event of distances being the same for 2 or more applicants where this distance would be last place/s to be allocated, a random lottery will be carried out in a public place. All the names will be entered into a hat and the required number of names will be drawn out.

# Ursuline Catholic Primary School

## Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	60	151
2024	60	133
2023	60	171

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

**Note:** For **2024** admissions 60 children were allocated places on national offer day. The breakdown of pupils considered under each admission criterion has not been made available to the Local authority. Please contact the school directly for this information, if required.

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Baptised Catholic Sibling	Baptised Catholic living in Parish	Other Baptised Catholic	Other Sibling	Other Christian	Other Faiths	Other Children (Distance)
2025	60	1	2	17	6	15	5	2	0	12
2023	60	0	2	25	11	22	0	0	0	0

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	N/A	58
2024	N/A	60
2023	1/6	64

## Valewood Primary School

Sherwood Avenue, Crosby, Liverpool, L23 7YG

**Headteacher:** Ms H Tantouri

Academy school

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 210

**Admission Number 2026: 30**

Establishment number: 343 2091

**Telephone:** 0151 924 0483

**Website:** [www.valewood.co.uk](http://www.valewood.co.uk)

Age range: 4-11

Nursery at School: No

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

**Admissions Criteria 2026** After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan where the school is named in the plan, and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, by Sefton LA, to allocate places at the school, on behalf of the school's Governing Body (or Multi Academy Trust):

- 1) **Looked after children** and all **previously looked after children**, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to **have been in state care outside of England** and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order). \*
- 2) **Sibling** - Children who have a **brother or sister** living in the same house who already attends the primary school of their choice, provided they will still attend the school in September 2026. Sibling is defined in these arrangements as step-children, foster children and half-brothers and sisters, adopted brothers and sisters or children of the parent(s)/carer(s)'s partner, living in the same family unit at the same address. <sup>(1)</sup>
- 3) **Children of staff** where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the admission application for the school is made, and/or where the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. <sup>(1)</sup> Parent(s)/carer(s) **must** state the employee's name on their admission application form. Details will be validated by the school.
- 4) **Distance** - Children in order, of proximity of their home to school, measured as per the tie breaker clause shown below. <sup>(1)</sup>

**\*See glossary for full definition**

### **Tie Breaker Clause**

<sup>(1)</sup> If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the local authority at the time of measurement).

## Valewood Primary School

### Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	30	145
2024	30	126
2023	30	146

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Sibling	Children of Staff	Distance	If oversubscribed furthest distance (miles)
2025	30	0	0	14	0	16	0.684
2024	30	1	1	10	0	18	1.004
2023	30	2	2	10	0	16	0.562

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	0/1	30
2024	N/A	30
2023	N/A	30

## Waterloo Primary School

Crosby Road North, Waterloo, Liverpool, L22 0LD

**Acting Headteacher:** Ms S Maciver

Academy school

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 393

**Admission Number 2026: 60**

Establishment number: 343 2054

**Telephone:** 0151 928 4274

**Website:** [www.waterlooprimaryschool.co.uk](http://www.waterlooprimaryschool.co.uk)

Age range: 4-11

Nursery at School: Yes

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan where the school is named in the plan, and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, by Sefton LA, to allocate places at the school, on behalf of the school's Governing Body (or Multi Academy Trust):

- 1) **Looked after children** and all **previously looked after children**, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to **have been in state care outside of England** and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order). \*
- 2) **Sibling** - Children who have a **brother or sister** living in the same house who already attends the primary school of their choice, provided they will still attend the school in September 2026. Sibling is defined in these arrangements as step-children, foster children and half-brothers and sisters, adopted brothers and sisters or children of the parent(s)/carer(s)'s partner, living in the same family unit at the same address. <sup>(1)</sup>
- 3) **Children of staff** where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the admission application for the school is made, and/or where the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. <sup>(1)</sup> Parent(s)/carer(s) **must** state the employee's name on their admission application form. Details will be validated by the school.
- 4) **Distance** - Children in order, of proximity of their home to school, measured as per the tie breaker clause shown below. <sup>(1)</sup>

**\*See glossary for full definition**

### Tie Breaker Clause

<sup>(1)</sup> If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the local authority at the time of measurement).

# Waterloo Primary School

## Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	60	92
2024	60	94
2023	60	91

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Sibling	Children of Staff	Distance	If oversubscribed furthest distance (miles)
2025	45	2	2	12	1	28	N/A
2024	46	0	0	11	0	35	N/A
2023	57	1	4	19	0	33	N/A

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	N/A	45
2024	N/A	45
2023	N/A	50

## Woodlands Primary School

Woodlands Road, Formby, L37 2JN

**Headteacher:** Mrs J Nel

Community school

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 311

**Admission Number 2026: 45**

Establishment number: 343 2075

**Telephone:** 01704 876444

**Website:** [www.woodlandsschoolformby.co.uk](http://www.woodlandsschoolformby.co.uk)

Age range: 4-11

Nursery at School: Yes

Admission Authority: **Local Authority**

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, by Sefton LA, to allocate places.

- 1) **Looked after children** and all **previously looked after children**, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to **have been in state care outside of England** and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order). \*
- 2) **Sibling** - Children who have a **brother or sister** living in the same house who already attends the primary school of their choice, provided they will still attend the school in September 2026. Sibling is defined in these arrangements as step-children, foster children and half-brothers and sisters, adopted brothers and sisters or children of the parent(s)/carer(s)'s partner, living in the same family unit at the same address. <sup>(1)</sup>
- 3) **Children of staff** where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the admission application for the school is made, and/or where the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. <sup>(1)</sup> Parent(s)/carer(s) **must** state the employee's name on their admission application form. Details will be validated by the school.
- 4) **Distance** - Children in order, of proximity of their home to school, measured as per the tie breaker clause shown below. <sup>(1)</sup>

**\*See glossary for full definition**

### Tie Breaker Clause

<sup>(1)</sup> If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the local authority at the time of measurement).

## Woodlands Primary School

### Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	45	87
2024	45	106
2023	45	116

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Sibling	Children of Staff	Distance	If oversubscribed furthest distance (miles)
2025	29	0	0	12	0	17	N/A
2024	45	0	0	18	1	26	6.517
2023	45	0	0	25	0	20	1.286

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	N/A	30
2024	N/A	43
2023	0/3	45

## SECTION B - SEFTON SECONDARY SCHOOLS

### Types of Secondary Schools in Sefton

#### Age range

This section of the guide lists all the secondary schools within Sefton. All these schools admit pupils up to the age of 16 and provide a wide range of curriculum choices usually up to GCSE level. Other national qualifications may also be available. The type of secondary school is shown in the list of schools and noted in the details provided for each individual school. Details relating to education for young people aged 16 and over in each area of Sefton, are set out in Section C of this guide.

#### Voluntary aided schools (VA)

Some Catholic secondary schools in Sefton are Voluntary Aided. This means that they are managed by a church authority, although the local authority meets most of the running costs of the school. Religious education is under the general control of the governors and will be in line with the distinctive ethos, religious beliefs, culture and practices of the church with which the particular school is associated. Admission of pupils is the responsibility of the Governing Body in accordance with the admission arrangements listed in this guide. **If you need to check whether or not you reside within the associated parish for a particular school you should contact the school directly.** The local authority does not hold that information.

#### Academy schools (AC)

Many other secondary schools within Sefton are academies. Academies are independently managed, all ability schools set up by sponsors from business, faith or voluntary groups in partnership with the Department for Education. Together they fund the land and buildings, with the government covering the running costs. An academy is responsible for admissions to the school and therefore determines their own admissions criteria. The local authority is the co-ordinating body for admissions to all academy schools. For many secondary academies (excluding some faith schools), the local authority also manages the admissions process and applies the admissions criteria on behalf of the schools' governing body.

#### Independent schools

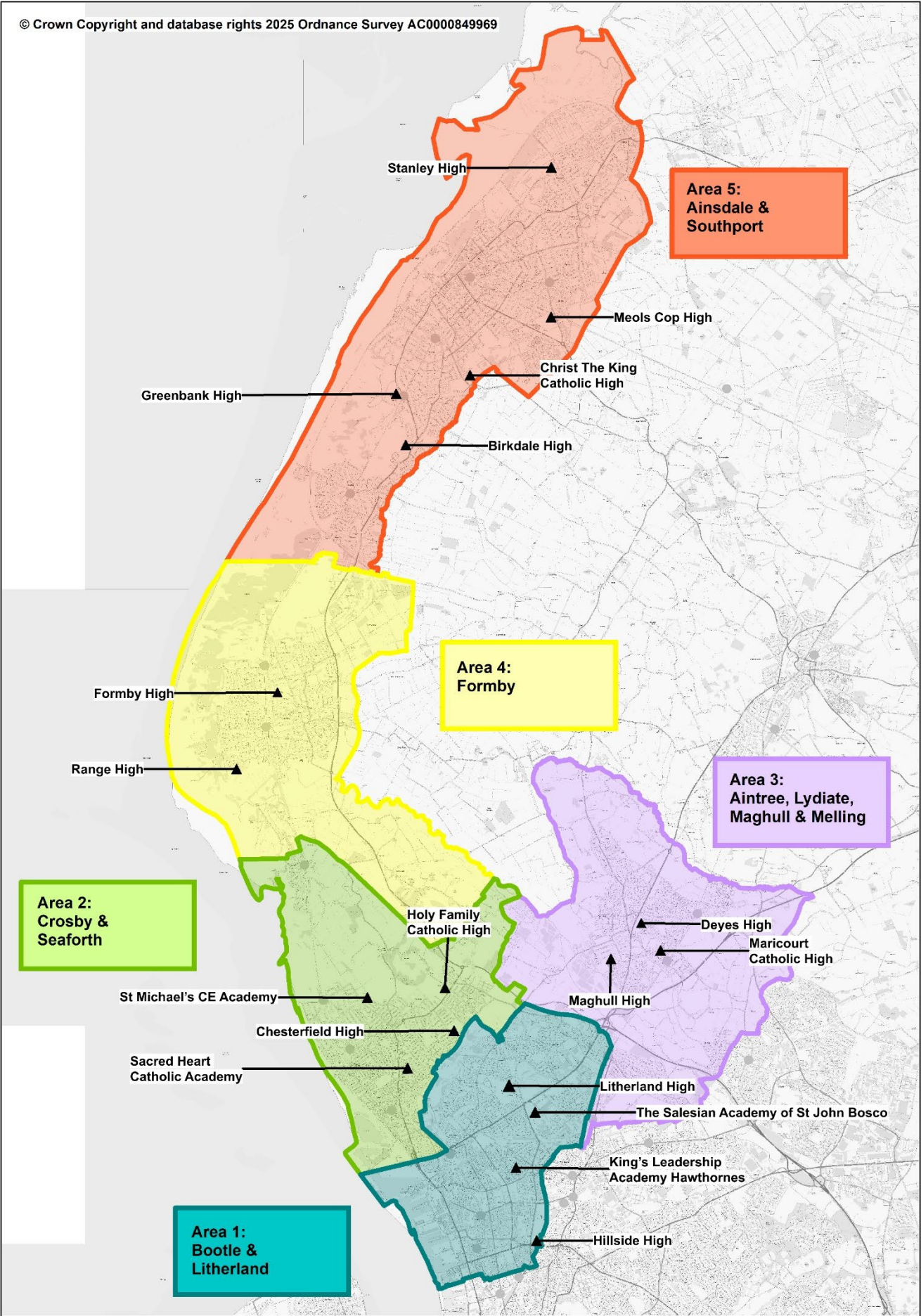
Sefton Local Authority does not administer admissions to any independent schools. If you wish for your child to attend an independent school, you must apply directly to the school concerned.

#### Other secondary education establishments with entry at age 14+ (Year 10)

There are a number of schools/colleges within the greater Merseyside area which now provide education for young people to be admitted at Year 10. These can be University Technical Colleges, Studio Schools or 14+ provision in some FE colleges.

**All the 14-16 Colleges, Studio Schools & U.T.C's require that parents apply for admission directly to the school/college concerned.** This is to enable the school to consider your application using the school's individual admission criteria. The application period for admission to Year 10 in September 2026, is the same as for Year 7 admissions i.e. applications should be submitted to the school by the closing date of **31 October 2025**.

# Map of Secondary Schools in the Sefton Area



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## Information included for each secondary school

We have listed every school in Sefton and included information to help you with your choice of schools. This page helps explain what the information we have provided means.

### Key information about the school

Headteacher's name; address of school; telephone number; website address; school details; age range; responsible admissions authority and the 2026 admission number for the school.

### Previous pattern of admissions

- Table 1 - The number of places available and the number of on time applications received (by the closing date) by the local authority, naming the school as a preference for the previous year(s) admission allocation.
- Table 2 – The number of children allocated a place under each admission criterion in the past three years. **These figures should only be used as a guide as the number of places allocated under each criterion can change from year to year.**
- Table 3 - The number of appeals heard, and the number that were successful. The final number of places allocated at the end of term in July after changes of preference, declined offers and appeal hearings.

### Furthest distance for schools

The furthest distance is noted where the school was oversubscribed (received more applications than places available) and is the furthest distance where a child who was allocated a place lived, using (usually) the home to school distance (proximity) criterion. For some schools, all places may have been allocated using a higher admission criterion than distance. This information is available for academy schools where the local authority applies the admissions criteria on behalf of the governing body (or (Multi-Academy Trust). This information is not available for voluntary aided (or academy) faith schools who are their own admissions authority and apply the admission criteria themselves.

### Individual admission criteria for the school

If there are more applications than places available, this is the criteria used to assess each application for that school. You should be able to identify which category your applications would be considered under and see how many children have previously been admitted under the same criterion.

**Please note for faith schools** the admissions criteria published in this guide may be a summary. Further information and an explanation around all elements of the faith criterion can be found in the full admissions policy published on the school's individual website.

## SECTION B

### Birkdale High School

Windy Harbour Road, Southport, PR8 3DT

**Website:** [www.birkdalehigh.co.uk](http://www.birkdalehigh.co.uk)

**Headteacher:** Mr G Banks

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 923

**Admission Number 2026: 182**

Establishment number: 343 4108

**Telephone:** 01704 577253

Academy school for boys

Age range: 11-16

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

### Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan where the school is named in the plan, and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, by Sefton LA, to allocate places at the school, on behalf of the school's Governing Body (or Multi Academy Trust):

- 1) **Looked after children** and all **previously looked after children**, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to **have been in state care outside of England** and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order). \*
- 2) **Sibling - Children with a brother** living in the same house who already attends the school as long as they will still be at the school in September 2026. <sup>(1)</sup>  
Sibling is defined in these arrangements as brothers including step-brothers, foster brothers, half-brothers, adopted brothers or sons of the parent(s)/carer(s) partner, living in the same family unit at the same address, who attend the school in question, as long as they will be at the school in September 2026.
- 3) **Children of staff** - Where the member of staff has been employed at a school within the Southport Learning Trust for two or more years at the time at which the admissions application for the school is made, and/or where a member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. <sup>(1)</sup> Parent(s)/carers **must** state the employee's name on their admission application form. Details will be validated by the school.
- 4) **Distance** - Other requests that name the school as a preference, with priority for admission given to children in order, of proximity of their home to school, as shown below. <sup>(1)</sup>

**\*See glossary for full definition**

#### Tie Breaker Clause

<sup>(1)</sup> If it is not possible to allocate places for all applications within this criterion then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. In every case we will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the Authority at the time of measurement).

## Birkdale High School

### Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	189*	330
2024	189*	346
2023	189*	328

\*Due to the significant number of applications received, the Governing Body agreed to admit over the Published Admission Number. The Published Admission Number for the school in 2023, 2024 & 2025 was 182 (also see table 3).

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Sibling	Children of staff	Distance	If oversubscribed furthest distance (miles)
2025	189	5	4	29	1	150	3.520
2024	189	6	4	24	4	151	5.718
2023	189	1	4	24	2	158	4.565

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	4/12	196**
2024	N/A	187
2023	2/11	189

\*\*In 2025 following the admission appeal hearings held in the summer term, the Governing Body subsequently agreed to admit up to 196 pupils.

## Chesterfield High School

Establishment number: 343 4105

Chesterfield Road, Crosby, Liverpool, L23 9YB

**Telephone:** 0151 924 6454

**Website:** [www.chesterfieldhigh.org.uk](http://www.chesterfieldhigh.org.uk)

**Headteacher:** Mr J Lawes

Academy school

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 1628

Age range: 11-18

**Admission Number 2026: 270**

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

## Admissions Criteria 2026

If the academy is oversubscribed, after the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan where the school is named in the plan, priority will be given to those children who meet the criteria set out below in order, by Sefton LA, on behalf of the schools Governing Body (or Multi Academy Trust):

- 1) **Looked after children** and all **previously looked after children**, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to **have been in state care outside of England** and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order). \*
- 2) **Children who have a brother or sister living in the same house who already attend the academy as long as they will still be at the academy in September 2026.**  
Brothers and Sisters include step-children, foster children and half-brothers and sisters, adopted brothers and sisters or children of the parent(s)/carer(s) partner, living in the same family unit at the same address, who attend the school in question, as long as they will be at the school in September 2026. <sup>(1)</sup>
- 3) **Contributory Primary School - Children who, at the start of the Spring Term 2026** are on the roll of Forefield Junior School, Rimrose Hope CE Primary School, Valewood Primary or Waterloo Primary School. <sup>(1)</sup>
- 4) **Children of staff** where the member of staff has been employed by or at a school within the Mersey View Learning Trust for two or more years at the time at which the admission application for the school is made, and/or where the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. <sup>(1)</sup> Parent(s)/carer(s) **must** state the employee's name on their admission application form. Details will be validated by the school.
- 5) **Proximity** - This is measured by taking the shortest walking distance to the academy. The shortest walking route will be that determined using recognised routes known to the local authority. The distance is measured from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate. This will be measured using the local authority's computerised measuring system. If the proximity value is equal then random allocation will be used as a tie-breaker. Any process of random allocation will be independently supervised. <sup>(1)</sup>

**\*See glossary for full definition**

### Tie Breaker Clause

<sup>(1)</sup> If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the local authority at the time of measurement).

# Chesterfield High School

## Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	310*	797
2024	310*	723
2023	310*	745

\*Due to the significant number of applications received, the Governing Body agreed to admit over the Published Admission Number. The Published Admission Number for the school in 2023 was 224. The Published Admission Number for 2024 & 2025 was 270.

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Sibling	Contributory Primary School	Children of Staff	Proximity (Distance)	If oversubscribed furthest distance (miles)
2025	310	5	9	107	126	2	61	1.378
2024	310	3	4	87	88	2	126	1.828
2023	310	2	5	86	81	2	134	1.710

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	1/36	310
2024	2/25	310
2023	1/41	310

## Christ the King Catholic High School

Stamford Road, Southport, PR8 4EX

**Website:** [www.christtheking-school.com](http://www.christtheking-school.com)

**Headteacher:** Mrs E Wheeler

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 834

**Admission Number 2026: 150**

Establishment number: 343 4800

**Telephone:** 01704 565121 or 567024

Voluntary Aided Catholic school

Age range: 11-18

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

A supplementary faith information form (available from the school) must be completed for admission requests for this school.

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, to allocate places.

- 1) Looked after children and all previously looked after children. This includes children who appear to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted. \*
- 2) Baptised Catholic children who have a sibling\* in the school at the time of application.
- 3) Baptised Catholic children resident in the parishes of Holy Family, Our Lady of Lourdes & St Joseph, Sacred Heart, St John Stone, St Marie on the Sands, St Patrick's & St Teresa's.
- 4) Other baptised Catholic children.
- 5) Other children who have a sibling\* in the school at the time of application.
- 6) Children attending one of the following Catholic Feeder Primary Schools in the parishes named in criterion 3 above: Holy Family, Our Lady of Lourdes, St Patrick's.
- 7) Children from other Christian denominations. Proof of Baptism in the form of a Baptismal Certificate or confirmation in writing that the applicant is a member of their faith community from an appropriate Minister of Religion is required.
- 8) Children of other faiths. An appropriate Faith Leader would need to confirm in writing that the applicant is a member of their faith group.
- 9) Other children.

**\*See glossary for full definition**

### ***Tie Breaker Clause***

If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria above then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the Authority at the time of measurement). In the event of distances being the same for 2 or more applicants where this distance would be last place/s to be allocated, a random lottery will be carried out in a public place. All the names will be entered into a hat and the required number of names will be drawn out.

# Christ the King Catholic High School

## Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	155*	349
2024	180*	358
2023	180	301

\*Due to the significant number of applications received, the Governing Body agreed to admit over the Published Admission Number. The Published Admission Number for the school in 2024 and 2025 was 150.

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Baptised Catholic Sibling	Baptised Catholic living in Parish	Other Baptised Catholic	Other Sibling	Contributory Primary within Parishes	Other Christian	Other Faiths	Other Children (Distance)
2025	155	3	2	12	37	1	28	12	6	0	54
2024	161	0	4	4	1	0	48	41	0	0	63
2023	158	0	2	18	21	0	31	4	0	0	82

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	N/A	152
2024	N/A	162
2023	N/A	151

## Deyes High School

Deyes Lane, Maghull, Liverpool, L31 6DE

Website: [www.deyeshigh.co.uk](http://www.deyeshigh.co.uk)

Executive Headteacher: Mrs A Stahler

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 1355

**Admission Number 2026: 240**

Establishment number: 343 4100

**Telephone:** 0151 526 3814

Academy school

**Head of School:** Mrs V Beaney

Age range: 11-18

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan where the school is named in the plan, and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, by Sefton LA, to allocate places at the school, on behalf of the school's Governing Body (or Multi Academy Trust):

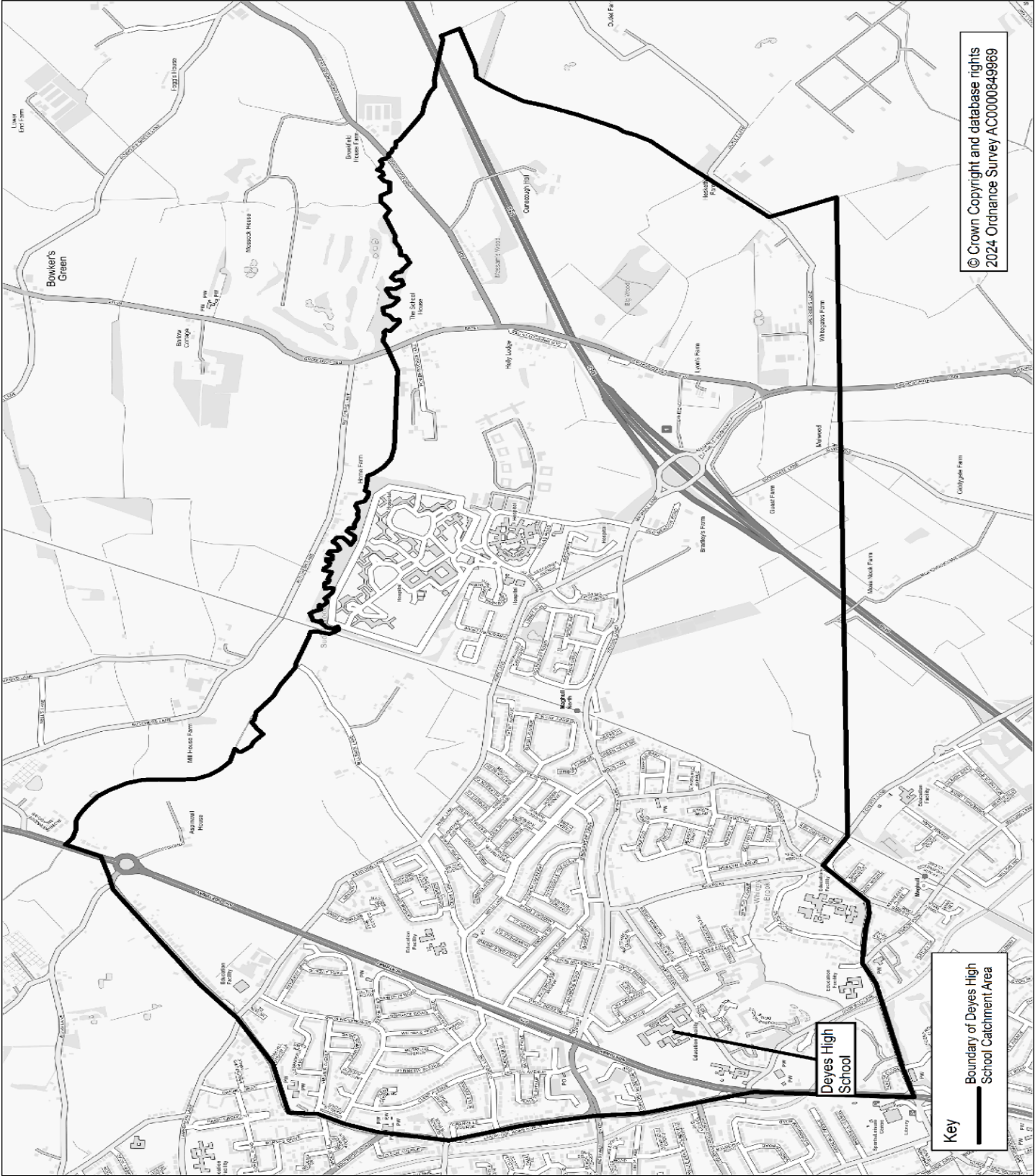
- 1) **Looked after children** and all **previously looked after children**, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to **have been in state care outside of England** and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order). \*
- 2) **Sibling - Children who are transferring from a primary school in the Maghull, Lydiate, Melling or Aintree parish areas, who have a brother or sister** who already attends the school and will still be at the school in September 2026. <sup>(1)</sup>  
Sibling is defined in these arrangements as brothers and sisters including step-children, foster children and half-brothers and sisters, adopted brothers and sisters or children of the parent(s)/carer(s) partner, living in the same family unit at the same address, who attend the school in question, as long as they will be at the school in September 2026.
- 3) **Catchment Area** - Children who live in the area which is served by the school. This area is that part of Maghull bounded by a line, which runs down the middle of the roads in question **as shown on the map on the next page.** <sup>(1)</sup>
- 4) **Children of staff** - Where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the admissions application for the school is made, and/or where a member of staff is recruited to fill a vacancy where there is a demonstrable skill shortage. <sup>(1)</sup>  
Parents and carers **must** state the employee's name on their admission application form. Details will be validated by the school.
- 5) **Distance** - Other requests that name the school as a preference. <sup>(1)</sup>

**\* See glossary for full definition. Please refer to page 28 of the 'Guide for Parents' to view the transport eligibility criteria for this school.**

### Tie Breaker Clause

<sup>(1)</sup> If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the local authority at the time of measurement).

Deyes High School Catchment Area



## Deyes High School

### Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	240	544
2024	240*	469
2023	230	495

\*Due to the significant number of applications received, the Governing Body agreed to admit over the Published Admission Number. The Published Admission Number for the school in 2024 was 230 (also see table 3).

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Sibling (as per criterion 2)	Catchment Area	Children of staff	Distance	If oversubscribed furthest distance (miles)
2025	240	3	1	64	36	1	135	4.703
2024	215	1	2	69	33	0	110	N/A
2023	230	0	0	58	53	3	116	4.719

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	3/5	241
2024	N/A	240
2023	N/A	240**

\*\*In 2023 due to a significant number of applications refused, and following national offer day, the Governing Body subsequently agreed to admit up to 240 pupils.

## Formby High School

Freshfield Road, Formby, Liverpool, L37 3HW

**Website:** [www.formbyhighschool.com](http://www.formbyhighschool.com)

**Headteacher:** Mr A Wood

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 1103

**Admission Number 2026: 172**

Establishment number: 343 4101

**Telephone:** 01704 873100 or 877383

Academy school

Age range: 11-18

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan where the school is named in the plan, and where there are more applications than places available, the admissions criteria listed below will be applied in the following order, by Sefton LA, to allocate places at the school, on behalf of the school's Governing Body:

- 1) **Cared for children** and all **previously looked after children**, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to **have been in state care outside of England** and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order). \*
- 2) **Sibling** - Children who have a **brother or sister** living in the same house who already attends the school, as long as they will still be at the school in September 2026. <sup>(1)</sup> Brothers and sisters include step-children, foster children and half-brothers and sisters, adopted brothers and sisters or children of the parent(s)/carer(s) partner, living in the same family unit at the same address, who attend Formby High School, as long as they will be at the school in September 2026.
- 3) **Contributory Primary** - Children who, at the start of the Spring Term 2026, are on the roll of either: Freshfield Primary School, Redgate Primary School or Trinity St Peter's CE Primary School. <sup>(1)</sup>
- 4) **Children of staff** - Where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the admission application for the school is made or where the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. <sup>(1)</sup> Parents and carers **must** state the employee's name on their admission application form. Details will be validated by the school.
- 5) **Named Areas** - Other children living in Formby, Hightown or Ince Blundell. <sup>(1)</sup>.
- 6) **Distance** - Other requests that name the school as a preference. <sup>(1)</sup>.

**\*See glossary for full definition**

### Tie Breaker Clause

<sup>(1)</sup> If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the local authority at the time of measurement).

# Formby High School

## Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	172*	452
2024	172*	403
2023	172*	424

\*Due to the significant number of applications received, the Governing Body agreed to admit over the Published Admission Number. The Published Admission Number for the school in 2023, 2024 & 2025 was 166.

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Sibling	Contributory Primary	Children of staff	Named Areas	Distance	If oversubscribed furthest distance (miles)
2025	172	9	7	64	44	4	44	0	0.993
2024	172	1	1	56	48	3	63	0	1.502
2023	172	3	5	69	48	2	45	0	1.070

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	4/18	175
2024	0/2	172
2023	N/A	172

## Greenbank High School

Hastings Road, Southport, PR8 2LT

**Website:** [www.greenbankhigh.co.uk](http://www.greenbankhigh.co.uk)

**Headteacher:** Ms D Aspinall

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 1034

**Admission Number 2026: 206**

Establishment number: 343 4109

**Telephone:** 01704 567591

Academy school for girls

Age range: 11-16

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan where the school is named in the plan, and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, by Sefton LA, to allocate places at the school, on behalf of the school's Governing Body (or Multi Academy Trust):

- 1) **Looked after children** and all **previously looked after children**, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to **have been in state care outside of England** and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order). \*
- 2) **Sibling - Children who have a sister** living in the same house who already attends the school as long as they will still be at the school in September 2026. <sup>(1)</sup>  
Sibling is defined in these arrangements as sisters including step-sisters, foster sisters, half-sisters, adopted sisters or daughters of the parent(s)/carer(s) partner, living in the same family unit at the same address, who attend the school in question, as long as they will be at the school in September 2026.
- 3) **Children of staff** - Where the member of staff has been employed at a school within the Southport Learning Trust for two or more years at the time at which the admissions application for the school is made, and/or where a member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. <sup>(1)</sup>. Parents and carers **must** state the employee's name on their admission application form. Details will be validated by the school.
- 4) **Distance** - Other requests that name the school as a preference, with priority for admission given to children in order, of proximity of their home to school, as shown below. <sup>(1)</sup>

**\*See glossary for full definition**

### Tie Breaker Clause

<sup>(1)</sup> If it is not possible to allocate places for all applications within this criterion then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. In every case we will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the Authority at the time of measurement).

# Greenbank High School

## Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	210*	362
2024	210*	381
2023	210*	408

\*Due to the significant number of applications received, the Governing Body agreed to admit over the Published Admission Number. The Published Admission Number for the school in 2023, 2024 & 2025 was 206.

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Sibling	Children of staff	Distance	If oversubscribed furthest distance (miles)
2025	210	4	5	34	4	163	4.513
2024	207	3	2	42	3	157	N/A
2023	210	1	3	53	4	149	4.247

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	2/6	210
2024	N/A	208
2023	1/17	210

## Hillside High School

Breeze Hill, Bootle, Liverpool, L20 9NU

**Website:** [www.hillsidehigh.co.uk](http://www.hillsidehigh.co.uk)

**Principal:** Mrs A Ryan

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 741

**Admission Number 2026: 175**

Establishment number: 343 4002

**Telephone:** 0151 525 2630 or 4725

Academy school

Age range: 11-16

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

## Admissions Criteria 2026

Where a pupil has an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) which names a particular mainstream school as provision, the child will normally be admitted. Where such pupils are known about at the time of the annual allocation procedures, they will be placed within the admission number with priority over others thus reducing the number of places available to other applicants. Where more applications are received than places available the following oversubscription criteria will be used by Sefton LA, on behalf of the school's Governing Body (or Multi Academy Trust), to determine the allocation of places:

- 1) **Looked After Children** – A Looked After Child is either a child who is in the care of a local authority, or being provided with accommodation by a local authority in the exercise of their social services functions (definition used is in Section 22(1) of the Children Act 1989); or, those children who appear to have been in state care outside of England\* and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted. Previously Looked After Children are those who were previously looked after but immediately after being looked after were adopted or became subject to a child arrangements order or special guardianship order.
- 2) **Sibling** - Children who have either a **brother or sister** living in the same house who already attends the school, as long as they will still be at the school in September 2026. <sup>(1)</sup>  
Sibling is defined in these arrangements as brothers and sisters including step-children, foster children and half-brothers and sisters, adopted brothers and sisters or children of the parent(s)/carer(s) partner, living in the same family unit at the same address, who attend the school in question, as long as they will be at the school in September 2026.
- 3) **Children of staff** – Where the member of staff has been employed at Hillside High School for 2 or more years at the time of application, or the member of staff was recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. <sup>(1)</sup> Parent(s)/carer(s) **must** state the employee's name on their admission application form. Details will be validated by the school.
- 4) **Contributory Primary Schools** - Children who, at the start of the Spring Term 2026, are on the roll of either Bedford Primary School and Christ Church CE Primary School. <sup>(1)</sup>
- 5) **Distance** - Other requests that name the school as a preference. <sup>(1)</sup>.

### Tie Breaker Clause

<sup>(1)</sup> If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the local authority at the time of measurement).

## Hillside High School

### Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	175*	453
2024	175*	345
2023	145	278

\*Due to the significant number of applications received, the Governing Body agreed to admit over the Published Admission Number. The Published Admission Number for the school in 2024 & 2025 was 145.

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Sibling	Contributory Primary	Distance	If oversubscribed furthest distance (miles)
2025	175	13	6	35	50	71	0.994
2024	175	3	7	33	29	103	1.520
2023	145	1	0	28	30	86	1.441

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	2/28	175
2024	1/15	178
2023	4/11	168**

\*\*In 2023 due to the significant number of applications refused on national offer day, the Governing Body subsequently agreed to admit up to 165 pupils.

## Holy Family Catholic High School

Virgins Lane, Thornton, Liverpool, L23 4UL

**Website:** [www.holyfamilyhighschool.co.uk](http://www.holyfamilyhighschool.co.uk)

**Headteacher:** Mr M Symes

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 1037

Establishment number: 343 4624

**Telephone:** 0151 924 6451 or 924 0071

Voluntary Aided Catholic school

Age range: 11-18

### Admission Number 2026: 160

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

A supplementary faith information form (available from the school) must be completed for admission requests for this school.

### Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, to allocate places.

- 1) Looked After Children and previously Looked After Children. This includes children who appear to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted. \*
- 2) Baptised Catholic children who have a sibling\* in the school at the time of admission.
- 3) Baptised Catholic children resident in the parishes of English Martyrs'; Holy Family, Ince Blundell; Our Lady of Compassion, Formby; Our Lady of Victories, Hightown; Our Lady Queen of Peace; St Benet's; St Jerome's, Formby; St Mary's, Little Crosby and St William of York, Thornton.
- 4) Baptised Catholic children attending a linked parish primary school English Martyrs; Our Lady of Compassion; Our Lady Queen of Peace; St Benedict's; St Jerome's; St Mary's, Little Crosby and St William of York.
- 5) Baptised Catholic children of current staff. Where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the application for admission to the school is made, and/or the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. Parents and carers **must** state the employee's name on their admission application form. Details will be validated by the school.
- 6) Other Baptised Catholic children
- 7) Other children who have a sibling\* in the school at the time of admission.
- 8) Children attending one of the following Catholic Feeder Primary Schools in the parishes named in criterion 3 above: English Martyrs; Our Lady of Compassion; Our Lady Queen of Peace; St Benedict's; St Jerome's; St Mary's, Little Crosby and St William of York.
- 9) Children from other Christian denominations. Proof of Baptism in the form of a Baptismal Certificate or confirmation in writing that the applicant is a member of their faith community from an appropriate Minister of Religion is required.
- 10) Children of other faiths. An appropriate Faith Leader would need to confirm in writing that the applicant is a member of their faith group.
- 11) Other children.

**\*See Glossary for full definition**

### Tie Breaker Clause

If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria above then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the Authority at the time of measurement). In the event of distances being the same for 2 or more applicants where this distance would be last place/s to be allocated, a random lottery will be carried out in a public place. All the names will be entered into a hat and the required number of names will be drawn out.

# Holy Family Catholic High School

## Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	160	665
2024	168	599
2023	168*	574

\*Due to the significant number of applications received, the Governing Body agreed to admit over the Published Admission Number. The Published Admission Number for the school in 2023 was 156.

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer days

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Baptised Catholic Sibling	Baptised Catholic living in Parish	Baptised Catholic attending a Contributory Parish Primary	Baptised Catholic children of Staff	Other Baptised Catholic	Other Sibling	Contributory Primary within Parishes	Other Christian	Other Faiths	Other Children (Distance)
2025	160	8	9	56	79	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2024	168	3	4	60	69	22	0	10	0	0	0	0	0
2023	168	0	3	55	73	22	0	12	0	0	0	0	3

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	9/30	167
2024	4/29	172
2023	3/33	169

## King's Leadership Academy Hawthornes

Establishment number: 343 4000

Fernhill Road, Bootle, Liverpool, L20 6AQ

**Telephone:** 0151 922 3798

**Website:** [www.kingshawthornes.com](http://www.kingshawthornes.com)

Academy school

**Principal:** Mrs A St John

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 667

Age range: 11-16

**Admission Number 2026: 130**

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

### Admissions Criteria 2026

Where more applications are received than there are places available, after consultations and admission of pupils with an EHCP naming King's Leadership Academy Hawthornes, applications will be considered in accordance with the school's published oversubscription criteria and applied in the following order by the local authority, on behalf of the Trust:

- 1) **Looked after children** and all **previously looked after children**, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to **have been in state care outside of England** and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order). \*
- 2) **Siblings** - Children who have a sibling who already attends the Academy, provided they will still be in attendance at the Academy in September 2026. Sibling is defined in these arrangements as children who live as brother or sister in the same house, including natural brothers or sisters, stepbrother or sisters, foster brothers and sisters and half-brothers and sisters, adopted brothers and sisters or children of the parent/carer's partner, living in the same family unit at the same address.
- 3) **Children of staff** - Children of permanent staff members currently employed by the academy, provided the staff member has been employed for at least two years at the time of the application. (1) Parent(s)/carer(s) **must** state the employee's name on their admission application form. Details will be validated by the school.
- 4) **Contributory Primary School** - Children attending King's Lander Primary Academy (Litherland) at the time of the application during the normal admissions round.
- 5) **Distance** – Children in order of proximity of their home address to the Academy, measured as per the tiebreaker clause below. (1)

**\*See glossary for full definition**

#### **Tie Breaker Clause**

(1) If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the local authority at the time of measurement).

# King's Leadership Academy Hawthornes

## Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	170*	279
2024	145*	220
2023	145*	224

\*Due to the significant number of applications received, the Governing Body agreed to admit over the Published Admission Number. The Published Admission Number for the school in 2023 was 120. In 2024 & 2025 the Published Admission Number was 130.

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Sibling	Distance	If oversubscribed furthest distance (miles)
2025	170	4	2	39	125	1.665
2024	145	6	2	35	102	5.695
2023	145	6	2	35	102	1.210

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	1/4	171
2024	5/13	145
2023	4/27	146

## Litherland High School

Sterrix Lane, Litherland, Liverpool, L21 0DB

**Website:** [www.litherland-high.sefton.sch.uk](http://www.litherland-high.sefton.sch.uk)

**Principal:** Mrs C Hallwood

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 733

Establishment number: 343 4004

**Telephone:** 0151 214 3434

Academy school

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

Age range: 11-16

**Published Admission Number 2026: 150**

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan where the school is named in the plan, and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, by Sefton LA, to allocate places at the school, on behalf of the school's Governing Body (or Multi Academy Trust):

- 1) **Looked after children** and all **previously looked after children**, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to **have been in state care outside of England** and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order). \*
- 2) **Sibling** - Children who have a **brother or sister** living in the same house who already attends the school, as long as they will still be at the school in September 2026. <sup>(1)</sup>  
Sibling is defined in these arrangements as brothers and sisters including step-children, foster children and half-brothers and sisters, adopted brothers and sisters or children of the parent(s)/carer(s) partner, living in the same family unit at the same address, who attend the school in question, as long as they will be at the school in September 2026.
- 3) **Contributory Primary Schools** - Children who, at the start of the Spring Term 2026, are on the roll of: The Grange Primary School; Hatton Hill Primary School; Lander Road Primary School; Litherland Moss Primary School; Netherton Moss Primary School; St Oswald's CE Primary School and St Philip's CE Primary School (Litherland). <sup>(1)</sup>
- 4) **Distance** - Other requests that name the school as a preference. <sup>(1)</sup>

**\*See glossary for full definition**

### Tie Breaker Clause

<sup>(1)</sup> If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the local authority at the time of measurement).

# Litherland High School

## Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	180*	425
2024	150	381
2023	150	349

\*Due to the significant number of applications received, the Governing Body agreed to admit over the Published Admission Number. The Published Admission Number for the school in 2025 was 150.

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Sibling	Contributory Primary	Distance	If oversubscribed furthest distance (miles)
2025	180	5	2	44	120	6	0.440
2024	150	7	7	47	89	0	1.673
2023	150	6	3	42	99	0	1.422

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	2/20	180
2024	4/23	153
2023	3/32	151

## Maghull High School

Ormonde Drive, Maghull, Liverpool, L31 7AW

**Website:** [www.maghullhigh.com](http://www.maghullhigh.com)

**Headteacher:** Mr M Kay

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 1104

**Admission Number 2026: 186**

Establishment number: 343 4113

**Telephone:** 0151 527 3955

Academy school

Age range: 11-18

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan where the school is named in the plan, and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, by Sefton LA, to allocate places at the school, on behalf of the school's Governing Body (or Multi Academy Trust):

- 1) **Looked after children** and all **previously looked after children**, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to **have been in state care outside of England** and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order). \*

**Children identified as needing specialist facilities** that go beyond expected reasonable adjustments will be given priority for this school if it is the nearest school with suitable resources. This would usually be a child with a physical or mobility difficulty. We will require details from parent(s)/carer(s), supported by medical evidence in order, to assess each situation depending on circumstances.

- 2) **Sibling** - Children who have either a **brother or sister** living in the same house who already attends the school as long as they will still be at the school in September 2026. <sup>(1)</sup>  
Sibling is defined in these arrangements as brothers and sisters including step-children, foster children and half-brothers and sisters, adopted brothers and sisters or children of the parent(s)/carer(s) partner, living in the same family unit at the same address, who attend the school in question, as long as they will be at the school in September 2026.
- 3) **Children of staff** where the member of staff has been employed at a school within the Southport Learning Trust for two or more years at the time at which the admission application for the school is made, and/or where the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. <sup>(1)</sup> Parent(s)/carer(s) **must** state the employee's name on their admission application form. Details will be validated by the school.
- 4) **Catchment area** - Children who live in the Maghull, Lydiate, Melling or Aintree parish areas (excluding the area served by Deyes High School. <sup>(1)</sup>)
- 5) **Distance** - Other requests that name the school as a preference. <sup>(1)</sup>

**\*See glossary for full definition. Please refer to page 28 of the 'Guide for Parents' to view the transport eligibility criteria for this school.**

### Tie Breaker Clause

<sup>(1)</sup> If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the local authority at the time of measurement).

## Maghull High School

### Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	210*	721
2024	210*	699
2023	210*	708

\*Due to the significant number of applications received, the Governing Body agreed to admit over the Published Admission Number. The Published Admission Number for the school in 2023, 2024 & 2025 was 186.

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children OR required specialist facilities	Sibling	Catchment area	Children of Staff*	Distance	If oversubscribed furthest distance (miles)
2025	210	11	2	58	93	0	46	2.128
2024	210	10	4	62	80	3	51	2.637
2023	210	4	7	86	89	1	23	1.391

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	4/27	212
2024	1/25	210
2023	3/53	212

## Maricourt Catholic High School

Establishment number: 343 4621

Hall Lane, Maghull, Liverpool, L31 3DZ

**Telephone:** 0151 330 3366

**Website:** [www.maricourt.net](http://www.maricourt.net)

Voluntary Aided Catholic school

**Headteacher:** Mrs T Hatton

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 1121

Age range: 11-18

**Admission Number 2026: 210**

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

A supplementary faith information form (available from the school) must be completed for admission requests for this school.

### Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan which names the school and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, to allocate places.

- 1) Looked after children and all previously looked after children. This includes children who appear to have been in state care outside of England and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted. \*
- 2) Baptised Catholic children who have a sibling\* in the school at the time of admission.
- 3) Baptised Catholic children resident in the parishes of Holy Rosary, Aintree; Our Lady's, Lydiate; Our Lady of Walsingham, St George's, Maghull; St Gregory's, Lydiate and The Most Holy Redeemer & St Kentigern, Melling.
- 4) Other baptised Catholic children.
- 5) Other Children who have a sibling\* in the school at the time of admission.
- 6) Children attending one of the following Catholic Feeder Primary Schools in the parishes named in criterion 3 above: Holy Rosary, Our Lady of Walsingham, St George's, St Gregory's and St John Bosco.
- 7) Children from other Christian denominations. Proof of Baptism in the form of a Baptismal Certificate or confirmation in writing that the applicant is a member of their faith community from an appropriate Minister of Religion is required.
- 8) Children of other faiths. An appropriate Faith Leader would need to confirm in writing that the applicant is a member of their faith group.
- 9) Other children.

**\*See glossary for full definition**

### Tie Breaker Clause

If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria above then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the Authority at the time of measurement). In the event of distances being the same for 2 or more applicants where this distance would be last place/s to be allocated, a random lottery will be carried out in a public place. All the names will be entered into a hat and the required number of names will be drawn out.

## Maricourt Catholic High School

Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	210	401
2024	210	403
2023	210	430

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Baptised Catholic Sibling	Baptised Catholic living in Parish	Other Baptised Catholic	Other Sibling	Contributory Primary within Parishes	Other Christian	Other Faiths	Other Children (Distance)
2025	203	1	2	31	39	36	18	14	4	0	58
2024	173	1	3	25	45	23	21	11	4	0	40
2023	210	0	3	65	67	38	9	8	7	0	13

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	2/2	209
2024	N/A	186
2023	0/4	210

## Meols Cop High School

Establishment number: 343 4110

Meols Cop Road, Southport, PR8 6JS

**Telephone:** 01704 531180

**Website:** [www.meolscophighschool.co.uk](http://www.meolscophighschool.co.uk)

Academy school

**Headteacher:** Mr M Davis

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 906

Age range: 11-16

**Admission Number 2026: 180**

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan where the school is named in the plan, and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, by Sefton LA, to allocate places at the school, on behalf of the school's Governing Body (or Multi Academy Trust):

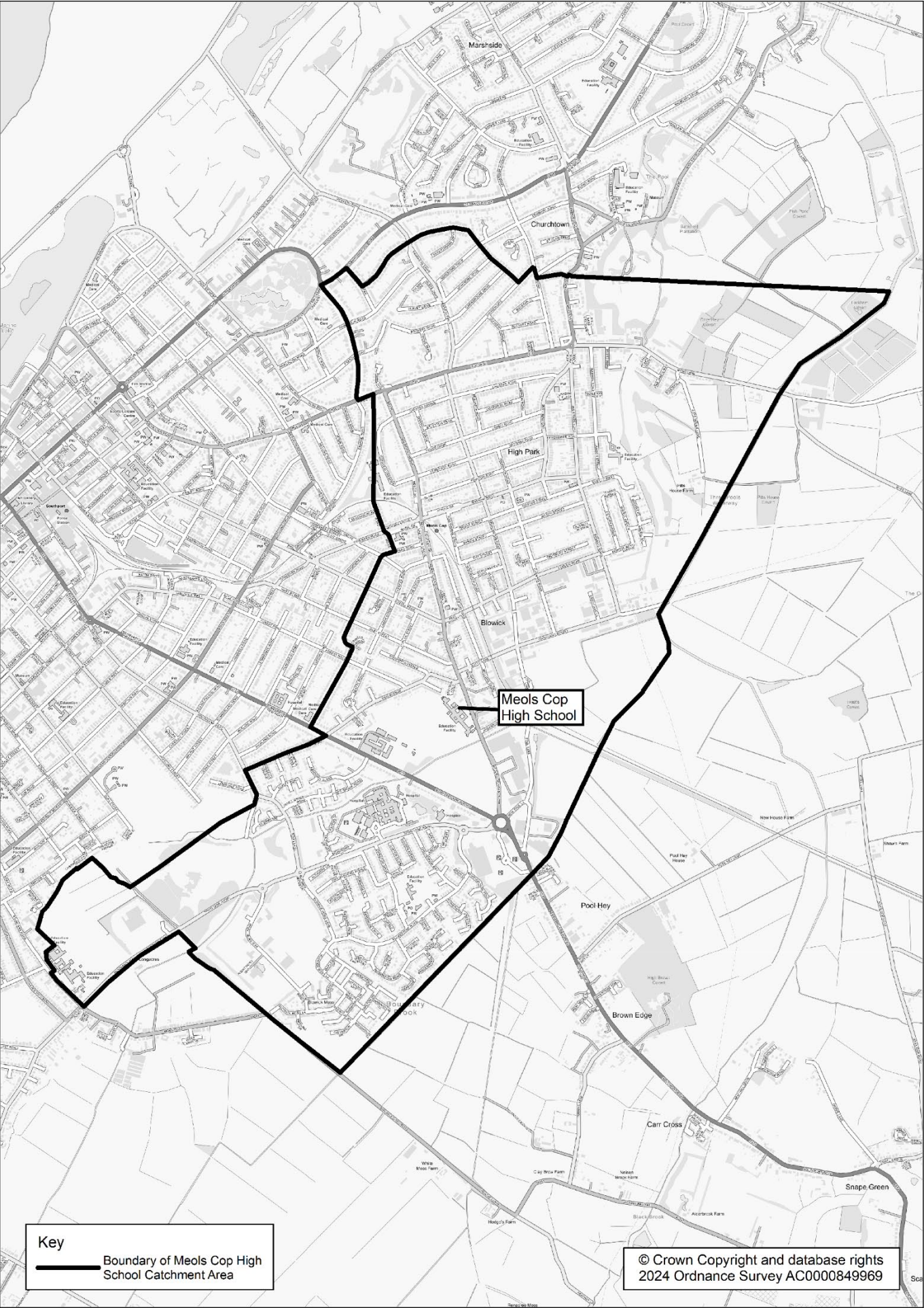
- 1) **Looked after children** and all **previously looked after children**, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to **have been in state care outside of England** and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order). \*
- 2) **Sibling** - Children who have a **brother or sister** living in the same house who already attend the school, as long as they will still be at the school in September 2026. <sup>(1)</sup>  
Sibling is defined in these arrangements as brothers and sisters including step-children, foster children and half-brothers and sisters, adopted brothers and sisters or children of the parent(s)/carer(s) partner, living in the same family unit at the same address, who attend the school in question, as long as they will be at the school in September 2026.
- 3) **Children of staff** where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the admission application for the school is made, and/or where the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. <sup>(1)</sup>  
Parent(s)/carer(s) **must** state the employee's name on their admission application form. Details will be validated by the school.
- 4) **Catchment Area** - Children who live in the area served by the school which is:- The area of Southport bounded by a straight line which runs west from the borough boundary passing through Meols Hall then along Peets Lane, Bibby Road, Churchgate, Kings Hey Drive, Coudray Road, Allerton Road, Cambridge Road, then south along Park Avenue, Roe Lane, Disused Railway, Manning Road, Oak Street, Balfour Road, Scarisbrick New Road, Everard Road, Southbank Road, borough boundary running parallel with Stamford Road, Benthams Way to the junction with Birkdale Cop then following the borough boundary northwards along Boundary Brook to the northern point of the boundary line. <sup>(1)</sup> **This area is shown on the map on the next page.**
- 5) **Distance** - Other requests that name the school as a preference. <sup>(1)</sup>

**\*See glossary for full definition**

### Tie Breaker Clause

<sup>(1)</sup> If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the local authority at the time of measurement).

Meols Cop High School Catchment Area



## Meols Cop High School

Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	185*	551
2024	180	555
2023	180	561

\*Due to the significant number of applications received, the Governing Body agreed to admit over the Published Admission Number. The Published Admission Number for the school in 2025 was 180.

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day \*

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Sibling	Children of Staff	Catchment area	Distance	If oversubscribed furthest distance (miles)
2025	185	9	3	57	2	92	22	1.079
2024	180	1	7	44	2	74	52	1.728
2023	180	4	7	46	3	87	33	1.121

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	2/22	185
2024	1/6	180
2023	2/30	182

## Range High School

Stapleton Road, Formby, Liverpool, L37 2YN

Website: [www.range.sefton.sch.uk](http://www.range.sefton.sch.uk)

Headteacher: Mr M McGarry

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 1021

**Admission Number 2026: 168**

Establishment number: 343 4106

**Telephone:** 01704 879315 or 879316

Academy school

Age range: 11-18

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan where the school is named in the plan, and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, by Sefton LA, to allocate places at the school, on behalf of the school's Governing Body (or Multi Academy Trust):

- 1) **Looked after children** and all **previously looked after children**, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to **have been in state care outside of England** and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order). \*  
**Children identified as needing specialist facilities** that go beyond expected reasonable adjustments will be given priority for this school if it is the nearest school with suitable resources. This would usually be a child with a physical or mobility difficulty. We will require details from parent(s)/carer(s), supported by medical evidence in order to assess each situation depending on circumstances.
- 2) **Sibling** - Children who have either a **brother or sister** living in the same house who already attends the school as long as they will still be at the school in September 2026. <sup>(1)</sup> Sibling is defined in these arrangements as: Brothers and sisters including step-children, foster children and half-brothers and sisters, adopted brothers and sisters or children of the parent(s)/carer(s) partner, living in the same family unit at the same address, who attend the school in question, as long as they will be at the school in September 2026.
- 3) **Contributory Primary Schools** - Children who, at the start of the Spring Term 2026, are on the roll of either Woodlands Primary School or St Luke's CE Primary School, Formby. <sup>(1)</sup>.
- 4) **Children of staff** where the member of staff has been employed at the school for two or more years at the time at which the admission application for the school is made, and/or where the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. <sup>(1)</sup>  
Parent(s)/carer(s) **must** state the employee's name on their admission application form. Details will be validated by the school.
- 5) **Named areas** - Other children living in Formby, Hightown or Ince Blundell. <sup>(1)</sup>
- 6) **Distance** - Other requests that name the school as a preference. <sup>(1)</sup>

**\*See glossary for full definition**

### Tie Breaker Clause

If it is not possible to allocate places for all applications within any criteria then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the local authority at the time of measurement).

## Range High School

Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	168	365
2024	168	379
2023	168	374

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children OR required specialist facilities	Sibling	Contributory Primary	Children of staff	Named Areas	Distance	If oversubscribed furthest distance (miles)
2025	161	1	1	50	45	0	17	47	N/A
2024	150	5	1	53	39	0	9	43	N/A
2023	165	0	2	54	46	4	25	34	N/A

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	N/A	139
2024	N/A	136
2023	N/A	159

## Sacred Heart Catholic Academy

Liverpool Road, Crosby, Liverpool, L23 5TF

**Website:** [www.sacredheartcatholicacademy.org](http://www.sacredheartcatholicacademy.org)

**Headteacher:** Mr M O'Hagan

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 653

**Admission Number 2026: 150**

Establishment number: 343 4009

**Telephone:** 0151 931 2971

Catholic academy school

**Associate Headteacher:** Mr E Cassidy

Age range: 11-18

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

A supplementary faith information form (available from the school) must be completed for admission requests for this school.

## Admissions Criteria 2026

Children with an Education, Health and Care Plan that names the academy must be admitted. Where this takes place before the allocation of places under these arrangements this will reduce the number of places available to other children. Where there are more applications for places than the number of places available, places will be offered according to the following order of priority:

- 1) Looked after children and previously looked after children\*.
  - i) Children who have a brother or sister at the school at the time of admission
  - ii) Other children
- 2) Catholic children who are resident in the parishes of St Helen's Crosby; St Joesph's, Blundellsands; St Peter & Paul, Crosby; St Oscar Romero (the parts of the parish formerly referred to as St Edmund's, Waterloo, and St Thomas of Canterbury, Waterloo).
  - i) Children who have a brother or sister at the school at the time of admission
  - ii) Other children
- 3) Other Catholic children.
  - i) Children who have a brother or sister at the school at the time of admission
  - ii) Other children
- 4) Other children who have a brother or sister at the school at the time of admission.
- 5) Children attending one of the following Catholic partner primary schools in the parishes or former parishes named in criterion 2 above: Great Crosby, Ursuline and St Edmund's & St Thomas'.
- 6) Catechumens and members of an Eastern Christian Church not in full communion with Rome.
- 7) Children of other Christian Ecclesial Communities whose membership is evidenced by a minister of religion.
- 8) Children of other faiths whose membership is evidenced by a religious leader.
- 9) Any other children.

**\*See glossary for full definition**

### Tie Breaker Clause

Priority will be given to children living closest to the academy determined by the shortest walking distance. We will measure from the property's address point to the nearest academy gate, using the methodology of measurement adopted by Sefton Local authority. Distance measurements are provided by the local authority. <sup>(1)</sup>. In the event of distances being the same for two or more children where this would determine the last place to be allocated, random allocation will be carried out and supervised by a person independent of the academy. All the names will be entered into a hat and the required number of names will be drawn out.

<sup>(1)</sup>. Further information can be found in the 'Guide for Parents' published by Sefton Local Authority.

## Sacred Heart Catholic Academy

Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	150	255
2024	180	198
2023	216	201

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Baptised Catholic Sibling	Baptised Catholic living in Parish	Other Baptised Catholic	Other Sibling	Contributory Primary within Parishes	Other Christian	Other Faiths	Other Children (Distance)
2025	150	0	2	6	25	2	21	34	2	0	58
2024	129	4	1	2	0	0	29	38	0	0	55
2023	173	0	0	23	13	17	4	0	1	0	115

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	N/A	146
2024	N/A	99
2023	N/A	120

## St Michael's CE Academy

St Michaels Road, Crosby, Liverpool, L23 7UL

**Website:** [www.stmichaelshigh.com](http://www.stmichaelshigh.com)

**Headteacher:** Mr R Bellmon

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 657

**Admission Number 2026: 125**

Establishment number: 343 4001

**Telephone:** 0151 924 6778

Church of England academy school

Age range: 11-18

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

A supplementary faith information form (available from the school) must be completed for admission requests for this school.

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan where the school is named in the plan, and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, by Sefton LA, to allocate places at the school, on behalf of the school's Governing Body (or Multi Academy Trust):

**First Priority: Looked after children** and all **previously looked after children**, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to **have been in state care outside of England** and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order). \* (\*See glossary for full definition).

**Second Priority: Sibling\*\*** - Children who have a **brother or sister** living in the same house who already attends the school, as long as they will still be at the school in September 2026. <sup>(1)</sup>  
(\*\*See glossary for full definition).

**Third Priority: Contributory Primary schools** - Children who, at the start of the Spring Term 2026 are on the roll of: St John's Church of England (Waterloo), St Luke's Halsall Church of England, St Nicholas' Church of England, Valewood or Waterloo Primary Schools. <sup>(1)</sup>

**Fourth Priority: Faith Criteria** - If parent(s)/carer(s) are applying under this priority please read the criteria carefully before completing the application (faith information) form. When completing the form (available from the school) make sure that parent(s)/carer(s) give full and accurate answers. When the form has been completed take it personally to the vicar/priest/minister/lay eucharist minister/deacon or church warden to complete the designated clergy form. <sup>(1)</sup>

The following criteria will be applied using a points system to decide which pupils will be offered a place. The scoring system will be applied separately to the child and to the parent(s)/carer(s).

The maximum possible score for attendance would be 60 points for three years' weekly attendance at an Anglican church. The maximum possible score for other Christians would be 48 points for three years' weekly attendance. The minimum score would be 0 for Anglicans and other Christians for no attendance at any church. **Christian applicants - parent/carers is only applicable if the attendance is with the child.**

The points scoring system is outlined on the next page.

# St Michael's CE Academy Admissions Criteria continued

## Fourth Priority continued - Allocation of points for Christian route.

St Michaels CE High faith criterion points scoring system

	Parent/ Carer Attendance		Student Attendance	
	Anglican (a)	Other Christians (b)	Anglican (a)	Other Christians (b)
	Points awarded	Points awarded	Points awarded	Points awarded
<b>Attendance for the period 1<sup>st</sup> January 2025 until application date</b>				
Weekly attendance	20	16	20	16
Attendance 3 times a month	15	12	15	12
Fortnightly	10	8	10	8
Monthly	5	4	5	4
Occasionally	2	2	2	2
Never	0	0	0	0
<b>Attendance for the year 2024</b>				
Weekly attendance	20	16	20	16
Attendance 3 times a month	15	12	15	12
Fortnightly	10	8	10	8
Monthly	5	4	5	4
Occasionally	2	2	2	2
Never	0	0	0	0
<b>Attendance for the year 2023</b>				
Weekly attendance	20	16	20	16
Attendance 3 times a month	15	12	15	12
Fortnightly	10	8	10	8
Monthly	5	4	5	4
Occasionally	2	2	2	2
Never	0	0	0	0

In the event that during the period specified for attendance at worship, the church has been closed for public worship and has not provided alternative premises for that worship, the requirements of these admissions arrangements in relation to attendance will only apply to the period when the church or alternative premises have been available for public worship.

### Christian applicants – child

- a) Children who are regular worshippers in Anglican Churches.
- b) Children who are regular worshippers in other Christian Churches.

### Christian applicants – parent(s)/carer(s) is only applicable if the attendance is with the child.

- a) Parent(s)/carer(s) who are regular worshippers in Anglican Churches.
- b) Parent(s)/carer(s) who are regular worshippers in other Christian Churches.

The Governors have defined 'Christian Church' as follows: 'Christian Church means any church which is designated under the Ecumenical Relations Measure nationally by the Archbishops of Canterbury and York or locally by the diocesan bishop, or is a member of, Churches Together in England or the Evangelical Alliance or a partner church of Affinity.'

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## St Michael's CE Academy Admissions Criteria continued

### Fourth Priority continued ...

**The maximum points for attendance for parent/carer is 60 points (Anglican) / 48 points (other Christian).**

Points are awarded for parental attendance (with the child). The Governors would define the word 'parent' as including any parent/carer, step-parent or biological grandparent of the child concerned. However, if points are being awarded on the basis of a child's biological grandparents' church attendance, the biological grandparent must have attended church with the child in question. The Governors reserve the right to seek clarity on this point from the church leader completing the form in cases where there is reasonable doubt that this is the case. <sup>(1)</sup>

**Fifth Priority: Distance** - Other requests that name the school as a preference. <sup>(1)</sup>

### Tie Breaker Clause

<sup>(1)</sup> If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the local authority at the time of measurement). If you require an explanation of how the distance from your home to school has been measured, please contact the School's Admissions Officer.

### Glossary:

\*A looked after child is a child who at the time of making an application to a school, is in the care of a local authority or is being provided with accommodation by a local authority in England in the exercise of their social services functions (see definition in section 22(1) of the Children Act 1989). This includes children who were previously looked after but ceased to be so because they became subject to a child arrangements order or special guardianship order. A child is regarded as having been in state care in a place outside of England if they were accommodated by a public authority, a religious organisation or any other provider of care whose sole purpose is to benefit society.

**\*\*(Second Priority Sibling) Brothers and Sisters** – Includes step-children, foster children and half-brothers and sisters, adopted brothers and sisters or children of the parent(s)/carer(s) partner, living in the same family unit at the same address, who go to the school in question, as long as they will be at the school in September 2026.

**Twins/Multiple Births** – Where there are twins or children from multiple births, and one of the siblings has been allocated the last remaining place at a school, the other siblings will be admitted.

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## St Michael's CE Academy continued

Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

<b>Year</b>	<b>Number of places available</b>	<b>Total number of applications received by closing date</b>
2025	125	192
2024	145*	363
2023	128*	407

\*Due to the significant number of applications received, the Governing Body agreed to admit over the Published Admission Number. The Published Admission Number for the school in 2023 & 2024 was 125 (also see table 3).

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

<b>Year</b>	<b>Total places allocated</b>	<b>EHCP</b>	<b>Looked After children</b>	<b>Sibling</b>	<b>Contributory Primary</b>	<b>Faith criterion</b>	<b>Distance</b>
2025	121	4	2	22	18	3	72
2024	142	12	5	27	37	0	61
2023	128	3	4	34	36	3	48

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

<b>Year</b>	<b>Appeals Number allowed / number heard</b>	<b>Final number of places allocated</b>
2025	N/A	83
2024	N/A	137
2023	N/A	145**

\*\*Due to the number of applications refused on national offer day, the Governing Body subsequently agreed to admit further pupils. In 2023 the increased figure was up to 145 pupils.

# The Salesian Academy of St John Bosco

Netherton Way, Bootle, Liverpool, L30 2NA

**Website:** [www.thesalesiansacademyofstjohnbosco.org](http://www.thesalesiansacademyofstjohnbosco.org)

**Headteacher:** Mrs S Bourgade

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 532

**Admission Number 2026: 120**

Establishment number: 343 4010

**Telephone:** 0151 521 3088

Catholic academy school

Age range: 11-16

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

A supplementary faith information form (available from the school) must be completed for admission requests for this school.

## Admissions Criteria 2026

Children with an Education, Health and Care Plan that names the academy must be admitted. Where this takes place before the allocation of places under these arrangements this will reduce the number of places available to other children. Where there are more applications for places than the number of places available, places will be offered according to the following order of priority:

- 1) Looked after children and previously looked after children\*.
  - i) Children who have a brother or sister at the school at the time of admission
  - ii) Other children
- 2) Catholic children who are resident in the parishes of Holy Spirit, Our Lady of Walshingham, St Oscar Romero (the part of the parish formerly referred to as Our Lady Star of the Sea), St Elizabeth of Hungary, St James, St Monica & St Richard and St Robert Bellarmine.
  - i) Children who have a brother or sister at the school at the time of admission
  - ii) Other children
- 3) Other Catholic children.
  - i) Other children who have a brother or sister at the school at the time of admission.
  - ii) Other children
- 4) Other children who have a brother or sister at the school at the time of admission.
- 5) Children attending one of the following Catholic Partner Primary Schools in the parishes or former parishes named in criterion 2 above: Holy Spirit, Our Lady of Walsingham, Our Lady Star of the Sea, St Elizabeth's, All Saints, St Monica's, and St Robert Bellarmine.
- 6) Catechumens and members of an Eastern Christian Church not in full communion with Rome.
- 7) Children of other Christian Ecclesial Communities whose membership is evidenced by a minister of religion.
- 8) Children of other faiths whose membership is evidenced by a religious leader.
- 9) Any other children.

**\*See glossary for full definition**

### Tie Breaker Clause

Priority will be given to children living closest to the academy determined by the shortest walking distance. We will measure from the property's address point to the nearest academy gate, using the methodology of measurement adopted by Sefton Local Authority. Distance measurements are provided by the local authority. <sup>(1)</sup>. In the event of distances being the same for two or more children where this would determine the last place to be allocated, random allocation will be carried out and supervised by a person independent of the academy. All the names will be entered into a hat and the required number of names will be drawn out.

<sup>(1)</sup>. Further information can be found in the 'Guide for Parents' published by Sefton Local Authority.

# The Salesian Academy of St John Bosco

Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	120	211
2024	120	152
2023	135	103

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children	Baptised Catholic Sibling	Baptised Catholic living in Parish	Other Baptised Catholic	Other Sibling	Contributory Primary within Parishes	Other Christian	Other Faiths	Other Children (Distance)
2025	120	1	3	0	16	5	25	15	1	0	54
2024	120	3	1	10	35	0	12	17	13	0	29
2023	135	0	0	20	32	1	17	7	0	0	58

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	3/3	121
2024	N/A	119
2023	N/A	116

## Stanley High School

Fleetwood Road, Southport, PR9 9TF

Website: [www.stanleyhigh.co.uk](http://www.stanleyhigh.co.uk)

Headteacher: Miss N Gregg

Number of pupils on roll (Jan 2025): 836

**Admission Number 2026: 170**

Establishment number: 343 4005

**Telephone:** 01704 228940

Academy school

Age range: 11-16

Admission Authority: **Governing Body**

## Admissions Criteria 2026

After the admission of pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan where the school is named in the plan, and where there are more applications than places available, the following admissions criteria will be applied in order, by Sefton LA, to allocate places at the school, on behalf of the school's Governing Body (or Multi Academy Trust):

- 1) **Looked after children** and all **previously looked after children**, including those children who appear (to the admission authority) to **have been in state care outside of England** and ceased to be in state care as a result of being adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order, or special guardianship order). \*

**Children identified as needing specialist facilities** that go beyond expected reasonable adjustments will be given priority for this school if it is the nearest school with suitable resources. This would usually be a child with a physical or mobility difficulty. We will require details from parent(s)/carer(s), supported by medical evidence in order, to assess each situation depending on circumstances.

- 2) **Sibling** - Children who have either a **brother or sister** living in the same house who already attends the school as long as they will still be at the school in September 2026. <sup>(1)</sup>  
Sibling is defined in these arrangements as brothers and sisters including step-children, foster children and half-brothers and sisters, adopted brothers and sisters or children of the parent(s)/carer(s) partner, living in the same family unit at the same address, who attend the school in question, as long as they will be at the school in September 2026.
- 3) **Children of staff** where the member of staff has been employed at a school within the Southport Learning Trust for two or more years at the time at which the admission application for the school is made, and/or where the member of staff is recruited to fill a vacant post for which there is a demonstrable skill shortage. <sup>(1)</sup> Parent(s)/carer(s) **must** state the employee's name on their admission application form. Details will be validated by the school.
- 4) **Distance** - Other requests that name the school as a preference. <sup>(1)</sup>

**\*See glossary for full definition**

### Tie Breaker Clause

<sup>(1)</sup> If it is not possible to offer places for all applications within any criteria then priority will be given to those living closest to the school measured by the shortest walking distance from the child's home. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (using recognised routes known to the local authority at the time of measurement).

# Stanley High School

Previous pattern of admissions

Table 1: Applications

Year	Number of places available	Total number of applications received by closing date
2025	170	261
2024	170	345
2023	170	368

Table 2: How places were allocated on national offer day

Year	Total places allocated	EHCP	Looked After children OR required specialist facilities	Sibling	Children of staff	Distance	If oversubscribed furthest distance (miles)
2025	147	3	5	44	1	94	N/A
2024	168	3	1	54	1	109	N/A
2023	170	4	1	50	0	115	2.061

Table 3: Totals at the end of July

Year	Appeals Number allowed / number heard	Final number of places allocated
2025	N/A	135
2024	N/A	161
2023	1/11	170

## Section C

### Admissions to Nursery schools and classes

The information on the following pages is provided for parents to assist in seeking nursery provision for your child. Please note however that Sefton School Admissions Team is **NOT** involved with placing children who are under school age into nursery provision. Please go to [www.seftondirectory.com/childcare](http://www.seftondirectory.com/childcare) where you can search for OFSTED registered nurseries and childminders in your local area or contact the school/nursery you are interested in directly for further information.

In Sefton there are 3 local authority nursery schools (details below). In addition, there are nursery classes in many of the primary schools (as indicated within Section A of this guide).

<b>Cambridge Nursery</b>
<a href="http://www.cambridgenurseryschool.com">www.cambridgenurseryschool.com</a>
Headteacher: J Snowdon
Address: Cambridge Road, Bootle, Liverpool, L20 9LQ
Telephone: Number: 0151 282 5467
Email: <a href="mailto:admin.cambridgeCC@schools.sefton.gov.uk">admin.cambridgeCC@schools.sefton.gov.uk</a>
Number of places available based on total number of hours attended (May 2025): <b>60</b>

<b>Crossens Nursery</b>
<a href="http://www.crossensnursery.co.uk">www.crossensnursery.co.uk</a>
Headteacher: Mrs B Brice
Address: Preston New Road, Southport, PR9 8PA
Telephone: Number: 01704 228624
Email: <a href="mailto:admin@crossensnursery.sefton.org.uk">admin@crossensnursery.sefton.org.uk</a>
Number of places available based on total number of hours attended (May 2025): <b>53</b>

<b>Greenacre Nursery</b>
<a href="http://www.greenacreknurseryschool.co.uk">www.greenacreknurseryschool.co.uk</a>
Headteacher: Mrs C Earley
Address: Province Place, Bootle, L20 6PJ
Telephone: Number: 0151 933 9115
Email: <a href="mailto:admin.greenacrenursery@schools.sefton.gov.uk">admin.greenacrenursery@schools.sefton.gov.uk</a>
Number of places available based on total number of hours attended (May 2025): <b>61</b>

**Please remember:** Parents of children who are admitted for nursery education will still need to apply for a place at the primary school of their choice if they want their child to transfer to the reception class. **Attendance at the nursery or co-located children's centre does not guarantee admission to a school in reception class.**

## Nursery education and funding

### Three and four year olds

All 3 and 4 year olds are entitled to a funded part time nursery education place if their parents/carers wish to accept one. It consists of 15 hours per week and can be taken from the term after the child's third birthday. For the purposes of the entitlement, funding terms start on the 1st January 1st April and 1st September. For 3 and 4 year olds, parents can choose funded hours in a Local authority maintained school or in a private, voluntary or independent setting such as playgroup or day nursery, who must be registered with Ofsted. Childminders rated good or outstanding by Ofsted can also offer funded places. Hours may be taken across a combination of settings, but not at more than 2 settings in one day. A number of nursery schools and classes may now be in a position to deliver this flexibly rather than all morning or all afternoon sessions.

Further information on choosing childcare can be found via the Sefton Directory Website:

[www.seftondirectory.com/childcare](http://www.seftondirectory.com/childcare)

### New Working Parents Entitlement

You may be able to get funded childcare for your child aged 9 months to 4 years old.

Working parents in England who each earn the equivalent of at least 16 hours per week at the National Minimum Wage are eligible.

You can earn up to £100,000 adjusted net income per year and be eligible. If you have a partner who lives with you, they must also earn between these two amounts.

With effect from September 2025 - from the term after your child turns 9 months until they start school you can receive:

- Up to 30 hours per week (max) over 38 weeks of the year.

For further information on eligibility please go to:

[Childcare entitlements- frequently asked questions for parents](#)

How to apply:

- Speak to your chosen childcare provider about if they can offer a place
- Apply online at Gov.uk

You need to apply on Gov.uk before the deadline to receive a code for funded childcare to give to your childcare provider. The deadline is the day before the new term begins, but we encourage you to apply earlier and recommend applying at least 6 weeks before the deadline. It is important to remember that codes need to be reconfirmed every 3 months, so parents applying any time before 1 June 2025 will need to reconfirm their code prior to the offer starting in September.

PLEASE NOTE, term dates for funding differ to school term starting dates:

Term start date for funding	Deadline for code (must be dated on this day or prior)
1 September	31 August
1 January	31 December
1 April	31 March

We recommend that you reach out now to your preferred provider to check by when they will require your code and that you apply by the start of the school summer holidays. If you are a foster carer, there is a separate application process. Speak to your social worker to find out more.

Parents will be able to access a funded place from:

- Participating schools with nursery provision
- Private, voluntary and independent day nurseries, Out of school clubs
- Childminders and playgroups

It will be possible for children to access up to two providers to access their entitlement. A combination of hours can be negotiated with the childcare provider.

**For further information and how to apply visit:** [www.childcarechoices.gov.uk](http://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk).

## **Funded 2 year olds – for parents of 2 year olds receiving some additional forms of government support**

Some 2 year olds are also entitled to 15 hours funding. Similar to 3 and 4 year olds, this consists of up to 15 hours per week and can be taken from the term after the child's second birthday. To apply please contact: [www.sefton.gov.uk/2yearolds](http://www.sefton.gov.uk/2yearolds).

**You can claim funded hours for a 2 year old place for your child, if you receive one or more of the following:**

- Income support.
- Income-based Job Seekers' Allowance (JSA).
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance (ESA).
- Universal Credit – if you and your partner have a combined income from work of £15,400 or less a year, after tax.
- Tax credits and you have an income of £16,190 or less a year, before tax.
- Guaranteed element of State Pension Credit.
- Support through part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999.
- Working Tax Credit 4-week run on (the payment you receive when you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit).
- You are excluded from claiming public funds as a consequence of immigration status, or lack of immigration status.
- You are in receipt of support under Section 17 of the Children Act 1989.

### **Children are also eligible if they:**

- Are a Local authority 'Looked After' Child.
- Have a current statement of special educational needs (SEN) or an Education, Health and Care (EHC) plan.
- Attract Disability Living Allowance.
- They have left care under a special guardianship order; child arrangements order or adoption order.

Children of the groups below will also be eligible for funded hours if their parents or carers meet similar low-level income requirements. Please note if you fall under these criteria, you must complete a separate application process. Please contact: **0151 933 6021** for further information.

- Children of Zambrano Carers.
- Children of families with no recourse to public funds with a right to remain in the UK on grounds of private and family life under Article 8 of the European Convention on Human Rights (ECHR).
- Children of a subset of failed asylum seekers supported under section 4 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999 - 'the 1999 Act'.
- Parents with a UK ancestry visa.
- Parents with temporary protection status under Section 12 of the Nationality and Borders Act.
- Parents with pre-settled status with no qualifying right to reside.

**To apply for a 2 year old place:**

- Speak to a member of staff in your local Family Wellbeing Centre.
- Speak with your health visitor or social worker.
- Email [2yearolds@sefton.gov.uk](mailto:2yearolds@sefton.gov.uk).

To access provision for 2 year olds, parents can choose funded hours in a private, voluntary or independent setting such as a playgroup or day nursery, with a childminder, or a small number of schools and nursery schools also now admit two year olds. It is important to note that all providers should be rated at least good or outstanding by Ofsted.

Please visit: [www.seftondirectory.com/childcare](http://www.seftondirectory.com/childcare) for further information about childcare providers.

**Delaying/deferring entry to reception year**

When a parent chooses to delay or defer their child's admission to school, the child remains entitled to receive early years funding only until they reach compulsory school age and only for the number of hours they are eligible for according to the Early Years Funding criteria above.

Any additional hours will need to be funded privately by parents/carers.

Once a child starts attending school in reception, even if part time attendance has been agreed, any early year's funding ceases as the school place is then fully funded.

## Further Education for 16-18 year olds

Young people must participate in learning or training up to at least the age of 18.

Visit [Further Education | Sefton Council](#) for further information and contact details for [Career Connect](#).

The following arrangements have been made in Sefton for sixth form education for pupils aged 16 to 18.

### Bootle & Litherland Area

#### Hugh Baird College

Further Education College funded by the Skills Funding Agency

**Main Campus Address:** Balliol Road, Bootle, L20 7EW

**Telephone:** 0151 353 4444

**Website:** [www.hughbaird.ac.uk](http://www.hughbaird.ac.uk)

**Principal & Chief Executive:** Mrs R Hennigan

Hugh Baird College also has a Sixth Form Centre based at **Sefton Sixth Form College**, Sterrix Lane, Litherland, Liverpool L30 2DB, **Website:** [www.seftonsixth.ac.uk](http://www.seftonsixth.ac.uk), **Telephone:** 0151 353 4444.

You can get more details about course admission arrangements and further information about the Sixth Form College and Post 16 provision directly from both colleges.

### Crosby Area

Some secondary schools in the Crosby area teach pupils up to the age of 18 in a sixth form, namely: Chesterfield High and Holy Family Catholic High.

Chesterfield High School has a separate admission number for Year 12. This number is for those pupils being admitted to the school for the first time and does not include pupils currently at the school. Year 12 entry requirements can be obtained directly from the school.

Please contact the individual schools for further details.

### Maghull, Lydiate, Melling & Aintree areas

All secondary schools in the Maghull area teach pupils up to the age of 18 in a sixth form, namely: Deyes High, Maghull High and Maricourt Catholic High.

Deyes High School has a separate admission number for Year 12. This number is for those pupils being admitted to the school for the first time and does not include pupils currently at the school. Year 12 entry requirements can be obtained directly from the school.

Maricourt and Maghull High may also admit small numbers of pupils to Year 12 for the first time. Please contact the individual schools for further details.

### Formby area

Both Secondary schools in the Formby area teach pupils up to the age of 18 in a sixth form, namely: Formby High, and Range High. Both schools have separate admission numbers for Year 12. This number is for those pupils being admitted to the school for the first time and does not include pupils currently at the school. Year 12 entry requirements can be obtained directly from the schools.

## Southport area

Christ the King Catholic High School teaches pupils up to the age of 18 in a sixth form.

Christ the King Catholic High School has a **separate admission number of 70 for Year 12**. This number is for those pupils being **admitted to the school for the first time and does not include pupils currently at the school**. Year 12 entry requirements can be obtained directly from the school.

All other secondary schools in Southport only teach children up to the age of 16.

Education in Southport for young people aged 16 and over is provided at the following Further Education Colleges which are funded by the Skills Funding Agency: -

### King George V College

**Website:** [www.kgv.ac.uk](http://www.kgv.ac.uk)

**Address:** Scarisbrick New Road, Southport, PR8 6LR

**Telephone:** 01704 530 601

**Principal & Chief Executive:** Ms M Brabner

### Southport College

**Website:** [www.southport.ac.uk](http://www.southport.ac.uk)

**Address:** Mornington Road, Southport, PR9 0TT

**Telephone:** 01704 500 606

**Principal & Chief Executive:** Ms M Brabner

You can get further information regarding the provision offered, and course admission arrangements, by contacting the individual college directly.

## Amendments to the information provided in this guide

The information in this guide relates to the school (academic) year 2026-27. We have done all we can to make sure it is accurate and accessible, at the time of publishing. However, the local authority cannot include in this guide any changes that come into effect during the school year beginning in September 2025. We may need to make changes from time to time, due to circumstances beyond our control.

## Glossary - Definitions of terms used in this booklet

The following terms used throughout this guide are defined as follows, except where individual arrangements spell out a different definition. If you would like further clarification, please contact the School Admissions Team who are always happy to assist. Contact details can be found at the front of this guide.

- **Admissions Authority** This is the body responsible for deciding which pupils are admitted to a school using the relevant admissions criteria. In community & voluntary controlled schools, this is the local authority (LA). In voluntary aided (VA) and academy schools, this is the governing body. Further information is provided on **pages 4-5 & page 161** of this guide.
- **Admission Number** also called the **Published Admission Number** – This is the maximum number of places available at a school, in each relevant age group that can be offered by the Admission Authority.
- **Admissions Criteria** – This is the method used to allocate places to pupils for a particular school, if the number of applications is more than the number of places available. Admissions criteria does vary between the different types of schools.
- **Admissions Team** – LA officers who implement the admission criteria and procedures for community, voluntary controlled and most academy schools. The team also co-ordinates the offers of places as required by the School Admissions Code legislation.
- **Appeal** – If it is not possible to offer a place to a child at a particular school, parents have the right to submit an appeal. An appeal hearing normally takes place some weeks later in front of an independent appeal panel. The panel could decide that a place should be offered above the admission number.
- **Appeal Panel** – An independent body, usually of 3 people, who hear admission appeal cases.
- **Appellant** – The person who has submitted an appeal.
- **Brothers and Sisters or Sibling**– Siblings are brothers and sisters including step-children, foster children and half-brothers and sisters, adopted brothers and sisters or children of the parent(s)/carer(s)'s partner, living in the same family unit at the same address, who attend the school in question, as long as they will be at the school in **September 2026**.
- **Co-ordinated Scheme** – This is where the LA shares and exchanges school applications with neighbouring LAs in order, to offer a school place.
- **Community Schools** – Schools which are run by the local authority and the local authority is responsible for admissions to these schools.
- **Distance** – Distance will be measured by the **shortest road walking route**, from the child's home to the nearest school gate. We will measure from the property's address point, to the nearest school gate (**using recognised safe walking routes known to the local authority at the time of measurement**). If two or more applicants meet the distance criteria exactly (e.g. they live in the same block of flats or are exactly the same distance away from the school), the authority will carry out a random allocation to decide which child will be given the place. This will be carried out in a public place with the required names placed in a box. The name will be drawn out randomly by a senior manager from the local authority.

## Glossary - Definitions of terms used in this booklet

- **Education, Health & Care Plan (EHCP)** – A small number of children have special educational needs (SEN). In some cases, a formal document is prepared to make special educational provision to meet the needs of the child or young person and to secure the best possible outcomes for them across education and health care. This document is called an Education, Health & Care Plan (EHCP). There are different application and appeal procedures for pupils who have an EHCP.
- **Equal Preference Scheme** – This means that each preference expressed by a parent on their application for a school place will be considered using that school's individual admission criteria.
- **Local Authority (LA)** – This refers to the local council in the area in which you live e.g. Sefton. For the purposes of this guide this refers to the team within the appropriate LA that administers school admissions.
- **Looked after Children and previously Looked After Children** - A looked after child is a child who at the time of making an application to a school, is in the care of a local authority or is being provided with accommodation by a local authority in England in the exercise of their social services functions (see definition in section 22(1) of the Children Act 1989). This includes children who were previously looked after, (including children who have been in state care outside of England) and ceased to be so because they were adopted or became subject to a child arrangements order or special guardianship order. A child is regarded as having been in state care in a place outside of England if they were accommodated by a public authority, a religious organisation or any other provider of care whose sole purpose is to benefit society. Within Sefton looked after children may also be referred to as 'cared for children'.
- **Online admissions** – Using the Citizen Portal on the Sefton website to register, complete and submit an admissions application form. You can also use the portal account to view the school offer on national offer day.
- **Oversubscribed** – If the number of applications received for an individual school is more than the number of places available.
- **Parents/Carers** – A parent or carer is any person who has parental responsibility or care of a child.
- **Published Admission Number** – see admission number.
- **Sibling** – see Brothers and Sisters or Sibling.
- **Supplementary Information Forms (SIF)** – A supplementary information form is the form used to provide faith schools with additional faith information about the child (such as baptism details). This will enable the school's governing body to consider the application under the relevant faith criteria.
- **Voluntary Aided (VA) Schools** – Faith schools linked to a particular church or parish.

