

Grove Road Primary School & Nursery



Nursery Admission Rules 2018 - 2019

Admission to Grove Road Primary School Nursery for children born between 1 September 2014 and 31 August 2015 for the school year 2018/19 will be allocated according to the following admission criteria and by applying for a place using the on-line admission form on the school website, by the deadline stated on the school website: www.groveroad.herts.co.uk

Section 324 of the Education Act 1996 requires the governing bodies of all maintained schools to admit a child with a statement of special educational needs that names their school. Schools must also admit children with an EHC (Education, Health and Care) Plan that names the school.

If there are fewer applications than places available at Nursery all applicants will be admitted.

If there are more applications than places available, the oversubscription criteria outlined below will be used to prioritise applications.

Oversubscription criteria:

Rule 1: Children looked after and children who were previously looked after, but ceased to be so because they were adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order or a special guardianship order).

Rule 2: Medical or Social

Children for whom it can be demonstrated that they have a particular medical or social need to go to the school.

Rule 3: Sibling

Children who have a sibling on roll at the school at the time of application. This applies to Reception through to Year 5.

Rule 4: Distance

Children who live nearest to the school.

These rules are applied in the order they are printed above. If more children qualify under a particular rule than there are places available, a tie break will be used by applying the next rule to those children.

Tie Break

When there is a need for a tie break where two different addresses are the same distance from a school, in the case of a block of flats for example, the lower door number will be deemed nearest as logically this will be on the ground floor and therefore closer. If there are two identical addresses of separate applicants, the tie break will be random.

Continuing Interest (CI)

After places have been offered, Grove Road Primary School will maintain a continuing interest (waiting) list for all Nursery applicants. A child's position on a CI list will be determined by the admission criteria outlined above and a child's place on the list can change as other children join or leave it. Grove Road Primary School Nursery Administrator will contact parents/carers if a vacancy becomes available and it can be offered to a child. Continuing interest lists will be maintained for every year until the end of the summer term. If the Nursery class is oversubscribed there is no appeal process for a Nursery place.

Applications received after the on-line form deadline has passed will only be offered a Nursery place if there is a place available and will be required to apply by a paper application form directly with the Nursery Administrator.

Please also see our Nursery Admissions and Sessions Policy for guidance.