

ALL SAINTS RC SCHOOL, YORK
Diocese of Middlesbrough



ADMISSIONS POLICY FOR ALL SAINTS SIXTH FORM (September 2016)

'Jesus said, Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these'. (Matthew 19.14)

1. Principles of the Policy

All Saints RC School was founded by the Catholic Church to provide education for baptised Catholic children. The school is run by its governing body as part of the Catholic Church in accordance with its Trust Deed and Instrument of Government and seeks at all times to be a witness to Jesus Christ.

2. Aims

This policy establishes the principles by which students will be admitted into the school sixth form in the event there are more applicants than places. All students are required to apply for a place in the Sixth Form.

3. Definitions

Looked after child

A Looked After Child is a pupil who is in the care of a LA or provided with accommodation by that authority. (For more in depth definitions see sections 8, 14A and 22(1) of the Children Act 1989 and section 46 of the Adoption and Children Act 2002).

Roman Catholic

'Roman Catholic' means children who have been baptised as Roman Catholics or have been formally received into the Roman Catholic Church. All applicants seeking admission under any of the criteria 1-3 will be asked to provide evidence that the child has been baptised as a Roman Catholic or has been formally received into the Roman Catholic Church. A certificate of baptism or a letter from their priest confirming their baptism or reception into the Roman Catholic Church will evidence this.

Catechumen

A Catechumen is a member of the catechumenate of the Catholic Church. A certificate of reception into the order of catechumens will normally evidence this.

Brother and sister

Brother or sister includes half, adopted and step brothers or sisters, or the child of the parent/carer's partner where the child for whom the school place is sought is living in the same family unit, at the same address as that sibling and is in attendance at the same school on the date of admission

Eligible parents

Eligible parents are defined as staff employed at All Saints for two or more years or potential staff who will meet a skills shortage.

Baptised children of other Christian denominations whose baptism is recognised by the Roman Catholic Church

Baptism is administered only by a **washing in real water** with the **proper form of words** [the Trinitarian Formula naming Father, Son, and Holy Spirit] in accordance with Canon Law: c. 849.

“Baptised of other Christian denominations” - A list of Christian denominations is provided with the additional notes of guidance, to aid the determining of the canonical status of candidates

Exceptional social, medical or pastoral need

To demonstrate an exceptional social, medical or pastoral need of the child which can be most appropriately met at this school, the governing body will normally require written evidence from an appropriate professional, such as a social worker, doctor or priest.

Distances

Distances will be measured using the LA's GIS system from the home front door via the shortest, safest walking route to the school.

4. Implementation

Admission to the Sixth Form

1. Admission to the Sixth Form will be from:
 - a) Students in Year 11 at All Saints RC School
 - b) Students from outside of All Saints RC School
2. Students on roll at All Saints RC School are required to apply for a place in the Sixth Form as are students from other schools.
3. The entry requirements for admission to the Sixth Form shall be the same for students on roll in Year 11 at the school and external applicants.
4. Students will be enrolled into the Sixth Form prior to the start of the Autumn Term in each school year although there may be some occasions when students transfer during the academic year.

Entry requirements

All those seeking admission to the Sixth Form must achieve the necessary grades for access onto the courses they have chosen (refer to the subject specific entry requirements). All applications are subject to approval by the sixth form team. Should a subject applied for not have been studied previously at GCSE entry will be at the discretion of the sixth form team in negotiation with the department and under the criteria they determine e.g. evidence in the form of a portfolio or prior attainment. Access to new subjects (not necessarily available at GCSE) is dependent on the applicants' GCSE profile and on condition that no more than two new subjects are studied.

Oversubscription criteria

Children who have a statement of **Special Educational Need** which names our school will be admitted to the school.

Where there are more applications for admission than the number of places available in any year group, places will be offered according to the following order of priority (The oversubscription criteria):

1. Roman Catholic “children looked after” (in public care) and Roman Catholic children previously ‘looked after’ but ceased to be so because they became adopted or became subject to a residence or special guardianship order immediately following having been looked after.
2. Baptised Roman Catholic children

3. Other 'children looked after' (in public care) and other children previously 'looked after' but ceased to be so because they became adopted or became subject to a residence or special guardianship order immediately following having been looked after.
4. Catechumens.
5. Children with a brother, sister or eligible parent at the school at the time of proposed enrolment.
6. Baptised of other Christian denominations whose baptism is recognised by the Roman Catholic Church (see Notes of Guidance)
7. All other applicants.

Where the offer of places to applicants in any of the categories would lead to over subscription within that category, applicants will be prioritised in the following order:

1. Children who have a brother or sister at the school at the time of proposed enrolment.
2. Children in Currently in receipt of Free School Meals or children who have been in receipt of Free School Meals in the last six years.
3. Children with one or more parents that are in the armed services.
4. At the discretion of the governors: where evidence is provided at the time of application of an exceptional social, medical or pastoral need of the child, which can most appropriately be met at this school.
5. Those with the shortest safe walking route from their home to school.

The number of students who have applied for each course will need to be taken into account, meaning that extra students can sometimes be accommodated over the admission number if the student's chosen course is not full.

5. **Monitoring, Evaluation And Review**

The Governing Body will review this policy every year and assess its effectiveness and implementation

6. **Availability**

This policy will be included in the Staff handbook. Copies will also be available, if required, from the Head Teacher's secretary and the school website.

Person Responsible:	<i>Deputy Headteacher (Admissions)</i>
Reviewed by:	<i>Governors' Admissions Committee</i>
Last Review Academic Year:	<i>Jan 2015</i>
Adopted by Governing Body	<i>Mar 2015</i>
Next Review Academic Year:	<i>Jan 2016</i>



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Sixth Form Admissions Policy, notes for guidance

“Blessed are those who have discovered wisdom, those who have acquired understanding”.
(Proverbs 3.13)

The governing body is responsible for admissions to this school, not the Local Authority.

The total number of children in each year group may not normally exceed 250.

Appeals

Any student refused the offer of a place in the sixth form has the right of appeal to an independent appeals panel.

False Information

Where the School has made the offer of a place in the sixth form on the basis of a fraudulent or intentionally misleading application which has effectively denied a place in the sixth form to a student with a stronger claim, the offer of a place will be withdrawn.

Late Applications

Late applications will be considered up to the end of the second full week of the Autumn Term. Option blocks are fixed after the application deadline has passed meaning that all options may no longer be freely available to choose. Any offers or conditional offers may be subject to the size or projected size of classes.

Timetable for Admission

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| 1. Students complete application | January 2016 |
| 2. Applications processed | February 2016 |
| 3. Option blocks are fixed based on applications.
School makes conditional offer and this
is communicated to parents | March 2016 |
| 4. GCSE results published | August 2016 |
| 5. Admission confirmed or refused | August 2016 |
| 6. Independent appeals | September 2016 |

Definition of Baptised children of other Christian denominations whose baptism is recognised by the Roman Catholic Church

This not an exhaustive list. Reference will be made to the Chancery of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Middlesbrough.

Adventist

African Methodist Episcopal

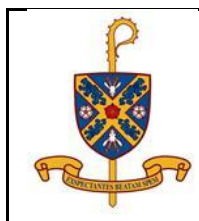
Ethiopian Catholic

Alexandrian: Coptic Alexandrian:

Amish/ Mennonite Valid Baptism

Anglican Valid Baptism	Antiochian: Chaldean Valid Baptism
Antiochian: Malabarese	Antiochian: Malankarese
Antiochian: Maronite	Antiochian: Syro-Antiochian
Armenian Apostolic	Assembly of God
Baptist	Byzantine: Albanian
Byzantine: Belarusan	Byzantine: Bulgarian
Byzantine: Croatian	Byzantine: Czech
Byzantine: Greek	Byzantine: Greek-Melkite
Byzantine: Hungarian	Byzantine: Italo-Greek
Byzantine: Romanian	Byzantine: Russian
Byzantine: Ruthenian	Byzantine: Slovak
Byzantine: Ukranian	Chinese Catholic Baptism
Church of God	Church of the Brethren
Church of the Nazarene	Community of Pope Pius X (Lefebvre)
Congregational Church	Disciples of Christ
Eastern Non-Catholics (Orthodox)	Eastern Rite Catholics
Episcopal Church	Evangelical Church of Covenant
Evangelical Church of Covenant	Evangelical Churches
Evangelical United Brethren	Latin: Roman Catholic
Liberal Catholic Church	Lutheran
Methodist	Old Catholic Church
Old Roman Catholic Church	Orthodox (see Eastern above)
Polish National Church (is Eastern Rite)	Presbyterian
Reformed Church	United Church of Christ

A baptismal certificate confirming baptism will be required to be produced to confirm eligibility under criterion 6.



ALL SAINTS RC SCHOOL, YORK Sixth Form Entry Requirements 2016



All 'A' Level Courses

Average Grade score of 40 points across all subjects taken (preferably including English and Maths at C or above). (A*= 56, A= 50, B= 46, C= 40, D= 34, E= 28, F= 22). PLUS at least a C (B preferred) in the subject or closely associated subject at GCSE

The following subjects also have specific GCSE requirements

BIOLOGY	B in GCSE Core Science and Additional Science (or B in Biology) plus C in GCSE Maths and English
CHEMISTRY	B in GCSE Core Science and Additional Science (or B in Chemistry) plus C in GCSE Maths
PHYSICS	B in GCSE Core Science and Additional Science (or B in Physics) plus B in GCSE Maths
MATHS	B in Maths on a higher paper
PSYCHOLOGY	at least a C in English & Maths
FRENCH	B in French
GERMAN	B in German
SPANISH	B in Spanish

Applied GCE and Level 3 Vocational Courses (Dual Award)

- Health & Social Care
- Cambridge Technical Diploma in Business

A minimum of 4 GCSEs at Grade A* - C. These may be taken alongside A Levels.

Re-taking GCSE English and Maths

All students will be expected to re-take Maths and/or English Language GCSE if they do not achieve a grade C or above.