

6.1 Children who are looked after by a local authority within the meaning of section 22 of the Children Act 1989 at the time of their application, and previously looked after children. The term “previously looked after children” refers only to children who were looked after but ceased to be so because they were adopted (or became subject to a child arrangements order or special guardianship order).

6.2 Disabled children who need to be admitted to a school on the grounds of physical accessibility. The definition of disability is that contained within the Equality Act 2010.

6.3 Children who live in the designated catchment area. If there are more applicants than places in this category, priority will be given in the following descending order:

- Those children who, at the time of entry, have a brother or sister attending Wantage CE Primary School.
- Those children who live closest to the school by the nearest designated public route as defined on the County Council Education Sufficiency and Access Geographic Information System.

6.4 Children who have taken up, or are eligible for, a funded 2 year old place at the time of application.

6.5 Children living outside the designated area who have a brother or sister attending either the nursery or the main school at the time of entry. If there are more applicants than places in this category, priority will be given within this group to children who live closest to the school by the nearest designated public route as defined on the County Council Education Sufficiency and Access Geographic Information System.

6.6 Those children who do not meet any of the above criteria. Priority for any remaining places will be given to those who live closest to the school by the nearest designated public route as defined on the County Council Education Sufficiency and Access Geographic Information System

7. If there are more children than places, any child who is not offered a place will be put on the Nursery class continued interest list and reconsidered for admission at a later point.
8. Once a child is admitted to the nursery class, the child is entitled to remain in a universal **part time** place in the nursery class until the term after he/she becomes five* **However this may not be the most appropriate place for the child if all his/her peers have taken up their reception place in a separate class within the school or another primary school.**

*N.B. In the case of a summer born child, parents must either take up the school reception place by the April before the child's fifth birthday; or else need to re-apply through the next admission round for a place to start in the September. See the Primary School admissions policy for more detail on deferring entry.

9. Any complaint about the operation of this admissions policy should be directed to the Headteacher in the first instance, and then to the School Governors.
10. There is no statutory right of appeal.