

2025/2026 ADMISSIONS ARRANGEMENTS - NURSERY

Parents seeking a place in our Nursery should apply on the following basis:

Children born between:	Date of Entry	Closing date for applications
01.04.22 - 31.08.22	September 2025	22 March 2025
01.09.22 - 31.12.22	January 2026	27 September 2025
01.01.23 - 31.03.23	April 2026	17 January 2026

If there are more applications than places for our nursery, children will be admitted on the basis of the following order of priorities.

- 1. Children looked after, i.e. in public care.
- 2. Children living in the catchment area of the school.
- 3. Other children.

Tie-breakers

If at any time it is not possible to offer a place to all of the children in any of the above categories at Hayton C of E Primary School, applications will be prioritised on the following basis:

- 1. Children who have brothers or sisters in the school at the time of admission giving priority to those with the youngest siblings. (see below)
- 2. Children with a parent on the electoral roll of a C of E church for a period of two years giving priority to those living nearest measured in a straight line on the map (see below).
- 3. Children who fall into the category of the N2 age group.
- 4. Other children giving priority to those living nearest measured in a straight line on the map.

A child in public care is defined as a child who is looked after by the Local Authority within the meaning of section 22 of the Children's Act 1989. Children who are in Public Care also includes those who have been in public care and are now adopted.

Brothers and sisters are those living at the same address and include step and foster children. Priority will only be given where it is known at the time of allocating places that a sibling will be attending the school.

If parents believe they qualify under tie-breaker number 2, they must provide proof with the completed form that they are on the electoral roll of a C of E church and have been for a period of two years prior to the closing date for the submission of application forms. It may relate to more than one church.

Applications should be submitted by the closing date to the Headteacher along with proof of date of birth and home address. Applications received after the closing date in the event of oversubscription will not be considered unless there are very exceptional circumstances.

Once a place has been allocated a new application is not needed for each academic year. Children who start at a nursery in the January or April following their third birthday will automatically keep the place in the September. Attendance at nursery does not, however, guarantee admission to the school's Reception class nor is it a factor which is taken into consideration in allocating places.

The school reserves the right to withdraw a place if the nursery grant has been previously allocated elsewhere.

The school reserves the right to withdraw a place if it has been allocated on the basis of false information.