Admissions criteria for entry September 2019

Whiteabbey Primary School 20 – 30 Old Manse Road Newtownabbey BT37 ORU **Controlled Primary School**

Enrolment Number: 414 Admissions Number: 59

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RESPECTIVE FUNCTIONS OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS AND PRINCIPAL IN RELATION TO ADMISSIONS

If the school is over-subscribed the Board of Governors or a Sub-Committee of the Board of Governors will, at a meeting called for that purpose, apply their admission criteria in the order of priority listed below.

When considering which children should be selected for admission, the Board of Governors will <u>only</u> take into account information which is detailed on or attached to the application form. Parents should therefore ensure that all information pertaining to their child and relevant to the school's admissions criteria is stated on the application form or attached to it.

ADMISSIONS CRITERIA

Admissions criteria to be used in the event of the school being oversubscribed. The criteria are listed in order of priority.

- 1. Children of compulsory primary school age.
- 2. Children who have a child of the family currently enrolled in the school.
- 3. Children of staff currently employed in the school.
- 4. Children who live within the area comprising Rostulla Ward, that part of Abbey Ward bounded by the new Station Road (side nearest to the school) and the Belfast-Larne railway line and to include Oakwood, Abbeylands, on the shore side of the main Belfast Road, and those housing developments within the Jordanstown Ward whose main vehicular access is onto the Jordanstown Road, between the Belfast Larne Railway crossing the bridge, over the railway line, on the Jordanstown Road, and bounded by the old railway line from Greenisland Station to Mossley.

NB: If at any sub-division of Criterion 4 the school becomes oversubscribed the subsequent sub-divisions will be used to differentiate between applicants.

- (a) Children who are the first/eldest or only child in the family currently able to apply to a mainstream primary school.
- (b) Children who are from families who have moved into the designated area (Point 4 above) within the current academic year and have older brothers or sisters seeking admission to the school.
- (c) Children who attend the traditional feeder Nursery Schools, i.e. Monkstown Nursery School, (Jennings Park), Whitehouse Nursery School, and St. James' Nursery School.

At this stage of the process if the school remains oversubscribed this final stage will be used to differentiate between applicants:

5. Children who live nearest to the school as decided by a straight line from their normal residence to the main gates of the school as determined from Spatial NI.

DUTY TO VERIFY

The Board of Governors reserves the right to require such supplementary evidence as it may determine to support or verify information on any application form.

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The provision of false or incorrect information or the failure to provide verifying documents according to the required deadline may result in either the withdrawal of a place or the inability of a primary school to offer a place.

Notice will only be taken of information given on the official application form.

Board of Governors Policy continues to stipulate a maximum of 30 pupils in all P1-P7 classes (Children with a Statement of Special Needs are supernumerary).

WAITING LIST POLICY

The school's policy on the consideration of applications after the Open Enrolment Admissions procedure concludes on 9 May 2019 is available directly from the school or can be accessed on our school website at www.whiteabbeyps.co.uk.

ADMISSION TO P2 - P7

- The above criteria will also be used for applications for P2-P7
- Whilst oversubscribed, requests for places in P2-P7 will only be considered if a vacancy arises in the appropriate year group and further enrolment is not prejudicial to the efficient use of resources.

Applications and Admissions to Primary 1		
Year	Total Applications	Total Admissions
2016/2017	58	58
2017/2018	69	61
2018/2019	61	61